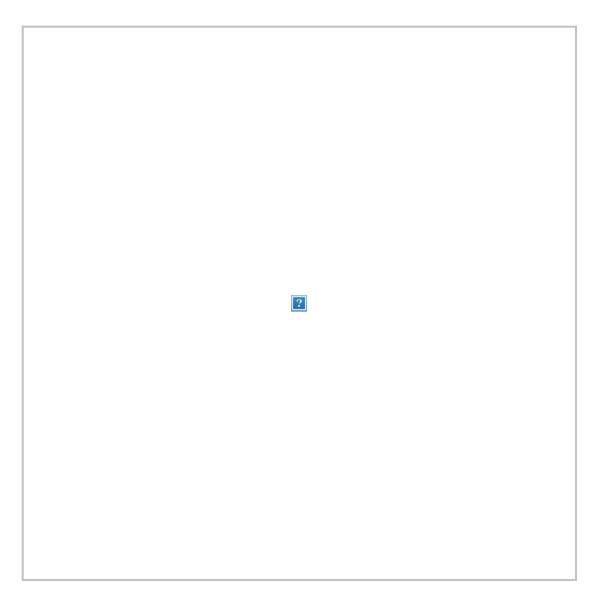
- -- Local election officials are panicking that Trump's reckless rhetoric will lead his supporters to bring guns to polling places, but they're mostly powerless to do anything about it: "The Prince William County (Virginia) electoral board ... considered seeking a one-day ban on weapons at polling places located on private property but was rebuked by a gun-friendly state legislator." Patricia Sullivan reports. "Del. Robert G. Marshall (R-Prince William) sent a letter to the board pointing out that it has no power to ban guns from polling places except for schools and courthouses, where weapons are prohibited by state law. ... Virginia's election officials have been discussing on their private email list the possibility of intimidation or violence Nov. 8 and talking about what to do about unruly observers. ... Seventy of Prince William's 91 polling places are in schools, with the remaining 21 in churches, fire halls and community centers. Firearms are allowed in county government buildings, such as fire stations, libraries and community centers."
- -- Trump called for a Constitutional amendment to put in place congressional term limits, but he provided no details about the details. (Jenna Johnson)



Supporters of Nicolas Maduro display a giant inflatable dummy depicting late President Hugo Chavez in Caracas. (Juan Barreto/Getty)

-- Venezuelan journalist and political scientist Francisco Toro argues that Trump really is much more like Nicolás Maduro than Hugo Chavez: "Again and again, since taking over in 2013, Maduro has run roughshod over the constitution in ways Chávez never dared to ... [and] for Venezuelans, the past year has been an object lesson in how dangerous this approach can be. Last week, we followed this crazy dynamic off the deep end, when the court overturned 800 years of constitutional practice, dating back to the original Magna Carta, ruling that when the constitution says the legislative branch has to

vote on the national budget, it means the president can just approve budgets on his own. ... Having your democracy commit suicide under the lure of a charismatic demagogue is not the kind of experience you can fully make sense of unless you've lived it in your own skin. Before 2016, no explanation I could give my American friends was enough. Now, my American friends can just turn on CNN and watch it happening live."

THE BATTLEGROUNDS:

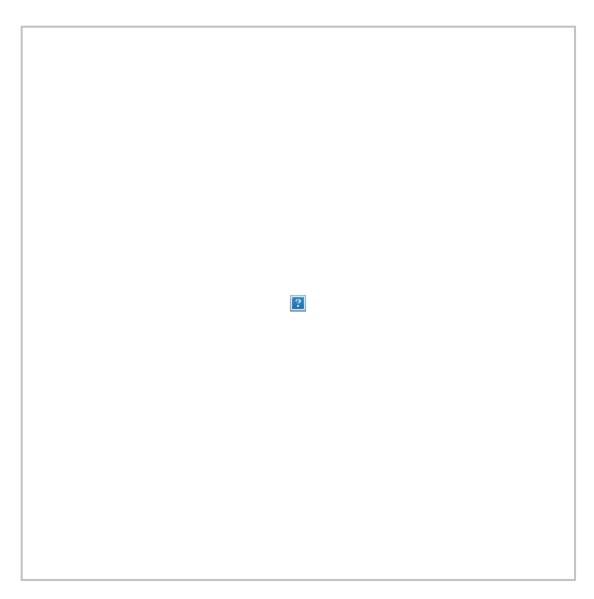
- -- A civil rights group filed a federal lawsuit to force Virginia to extend its voter registration period, after the state's online system crashed on Monday. The technological glitch prohibited registration from an unknown number of participants. Some have estimated the number to be in the "tens of thousands." (Laura Vozzella)
- -- Pro-Clinton super PAC Priorities USA announced it will begin airing ads in two Senate races and will start airing television and radio ads in Georgia to boost Clinton. "New ads will support Gov. Maggie Hassan in the New Hampshire Senate race against Republican Sen. Kelly Ayotte and Katie McGinty in the Pennsylvania Senate race against Sen. Patrick J. Toomey," Abby Phillip writes. "The super PAC also plans a new seven-figure television ad buy in Georgia in addition to new radio ads targeted at African American voters. The state has not been won by the Democratic presidential nominee since 1992."
- -- DNC officials issued an apology after one of its campaign buses was recorded illegally dumping sewage into a Georgia

storm drain, calling the leak an "honest" but "unacceptable" mistake. The driver of the bus – adorned with larger-than-life faces of Clinton and Kaine – said the vehicle's sewage tank was full and leaking out. A guy in an auto parts repair store spotted him and record it. (Katie Mettler)

- -- The race for Rep. Barbara Comstock's House seat in Northern Virginia has tightened. From Jenna Portnoy: The Cook Political Report is moving the race up to toss-up, while the Rothenberg & Gonzales Political Report already considers it a toss-up district, tilting to the Republican. "Experts consider the district among the most competitive in the nation despite lackluster fundraising numbers from Democratic challenger LuAnn Bennett and evidence [Trump] might not be the anchor on down-ballot candidates some had expected," Portnoy writes. The two will face off this morning for the final debate of the campaign.
- Bloc: White Catholics," by the New York Times's Jason Horowitz in Philly: "Since the election of Ronald Reagan, white Roman Catholics have flocked to Republican nominees for a raft of reasons, including their stances on social issues like abortion and same-sex marriage. But this year, something seems different. 'Trump is the exception to the rule,' said 67-year-old Carol Robinson, leaving an afternoon prayer meeting in Philadelphia. 'He's a loose cannon.' Roman Catholics are the country's second-largest religious group after evangelical Protestants, and they are as diverse as the country itself, with young liberals, cultural conservatives and, increasingly, Democratic-leaning Hispanics."

One quiet influencer could be Pope Francis, wh emphasizes inclusion and the welfare of the poor over divisive issues like abortion and homosexuality. In February, he suggested Trump "is not a Christian."

-- Harry Reid reflects on when Trump used to be one of his donors in an interview with Paul Kane: "Reid found a priceless piece of memorabilia recently while sorting through 34 years of congressional papers. It's a picture of Reid with [Trump], inside the real-estate developer's Manhattan home, both men smiling. He's pretty sure it's from 1992, when [he] was running his first Senate reelection bid and when [Trump] was happy to help Democrats. Reid appreciated Trump's generosity. 'He wasn't much of a big shot then, neither was I,' Reid recalled ... Over the years when Trump was a reliable donor to Senate Democrats, Reid saw no signs of a future Republican presidential candidate who he would later eviscerate as a 'racist' and a 'human leech.' Now, heading into political twilight, the former boxer is clearly relishing what is essentially his last campaign through attacks on Trump ... 'I'm kind of an unusual politician,' he said."



Libertarian Lucy Brenton, Democrat Evan Bayh and Republican Todd Young debate in Indianapolis last night. (AP Photo/Michael Conroy, Pool)

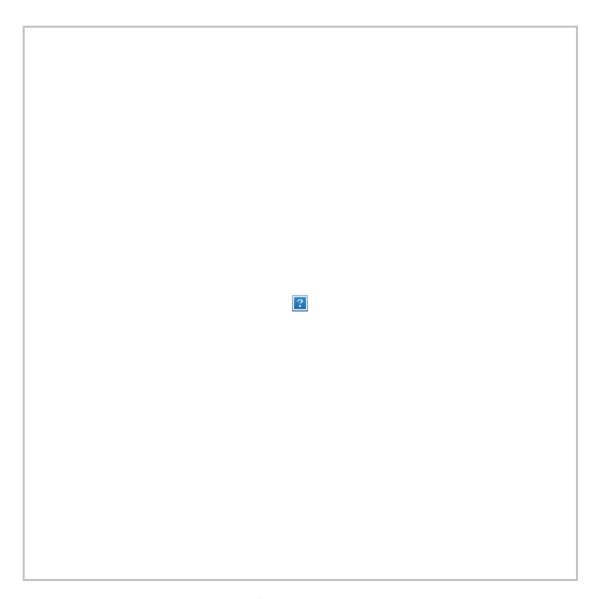
SENATE DEBATES:

-- "Indiana's Senate race got personal Tuesday," the Indianapolis Star's Maureen Groppe and James Briggs write.

"After weeks of attacking each other in campaign commercials, former Sen. Evan Bayh and GOP Rep. Todd Young directly accused each other of not representing Hoosiers' interests in their [sole debate] ... Young repeatedly charged Bayh, a Democrat, with following the orders of Washington insiders and looking out for

himself. 'Evan Bayh took the money and ran,' Young said after criticizing Bayh's vote for the Affordable Care Act. 'He joined a major lobbying firm in Washington, D.C., and he represented clients that needed relief from the very problem he created from Obamacare.' Bayh said Young has voted against the needs of veterans, seniors and workers who are losing their jobs to overseas competition. And he accused Young of lying about his record. 'Congressman Young has told so many whoppers here tonight, it's hard to keep track," Bayh said.

-- The final debate between Sen. Ron Johnson and Democrat Russ Feingold also turned personal, the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel's Bill Glauber reports: "Skirmishing over campaign finance, national security, the economy and the presidential candidates, the men engaged in a feisty 90-minute clash ... With polls showing a tight race, there was little room for error as the candidates sought to shore up their base support while reaching out to the small number of undecided voters. In a sense, the debate was six years in the making as the two men entered the closing stretch of their rematch race. Throughout the debate, Feingold claimed that Johnson 'didn't have a plan' on issues. Johnson fired back, 'Senator Feingold' is always going to have a plan to grow government." "I will stand with the people of this state," Feingold said. "Senator Johnson stands with the corporations, the billionaires and the multi-millionaires." In rebuttal, Johnson said he "understands what it's like to work": "I'm the working man," he said. "I've worked hard all my life."



A pan handler sits with a "Give me \$1 or I'm voting for Trump" sign in Manhattan. (Carlo Allegri)

IT'S SILLY SEASON:

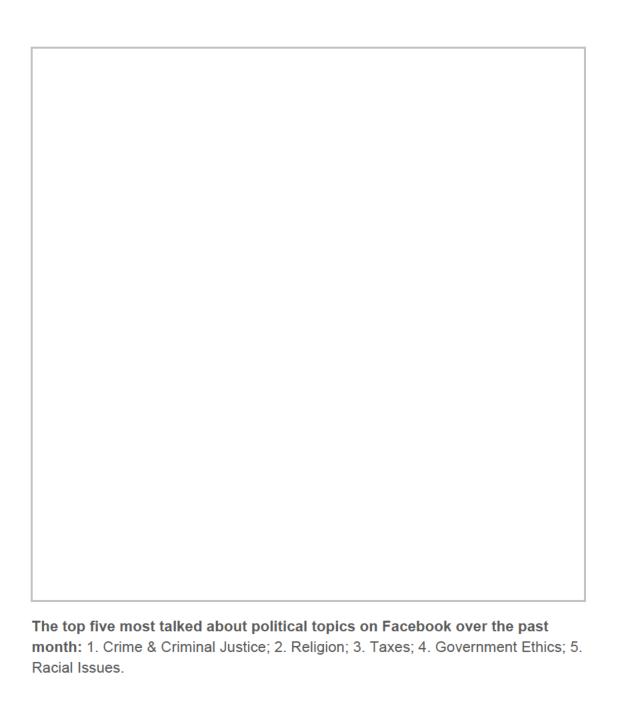
-- A Wisconsin woman was arrested after she spread peanut butter on 30 cars that she believed belonged to Trump supporters. But it turns out the cars actually belonged to members of a local conservation club! "Witnesses said 32-year-old Christina Ferguson stormed into the club meeting on Monday night, holding what a Portage County deputy's report described as a 'family-size jar of low-sodium, creamy natural Jif," HuffPost reports. "Officers

said Ferguson grew emotional as she explained how much she loved Clinton and hated Trump. She then explained why she'd misused peanut butter. 'Peanut butter is better than fire-bombing,' the officer quoted her as saying. She added that Trump wants to fire-bomb everybody in other countries."

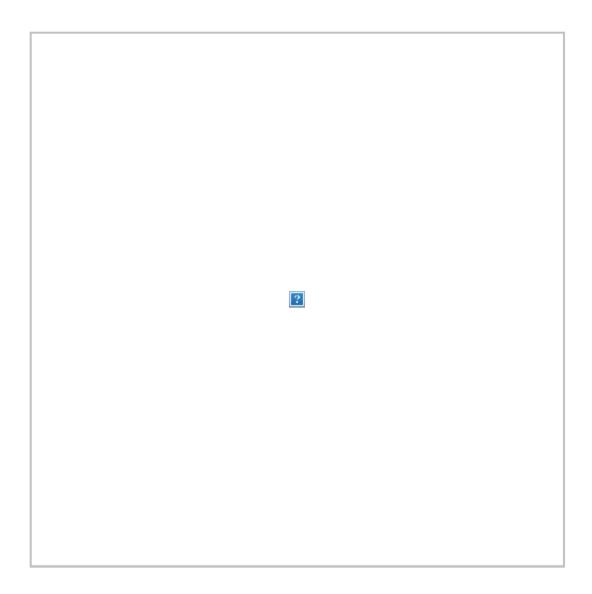
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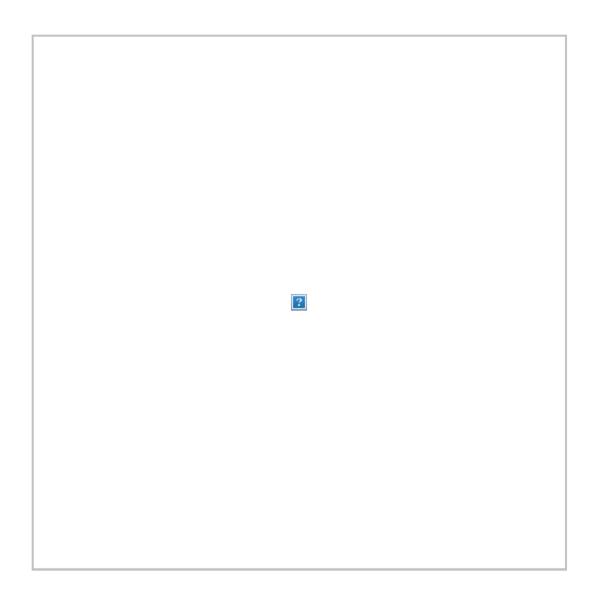
Over 62 million people on Facebook in the U.S. posted about, shared, liked or commented on content related to Trump over 931 million times in the last month. The chart below shows the unique number of people on Facebook engaging in the conversation about each candidate – as well as the number of interactions those people generated. Interactions represents the total aggregate number of likes, posts, comments and shares made about a particular candidate within the timeframe. The interactions figure includes not only the activity on the candidate's page, but all of the likes, posts, comments and shares about that candidate from throughout Facebook:



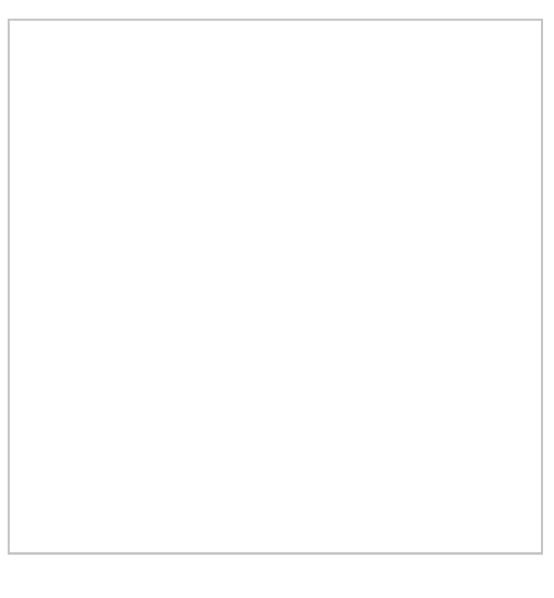
The Onion is on the lookout for late-breaking Trump news:



Coming soon to a Las Vegas billboard:

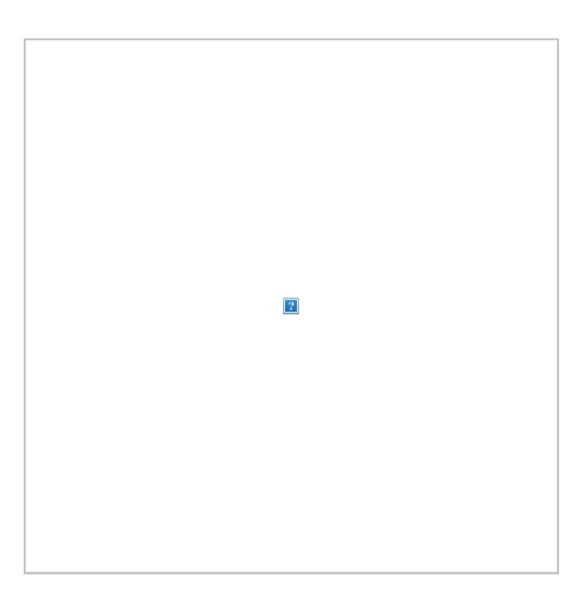


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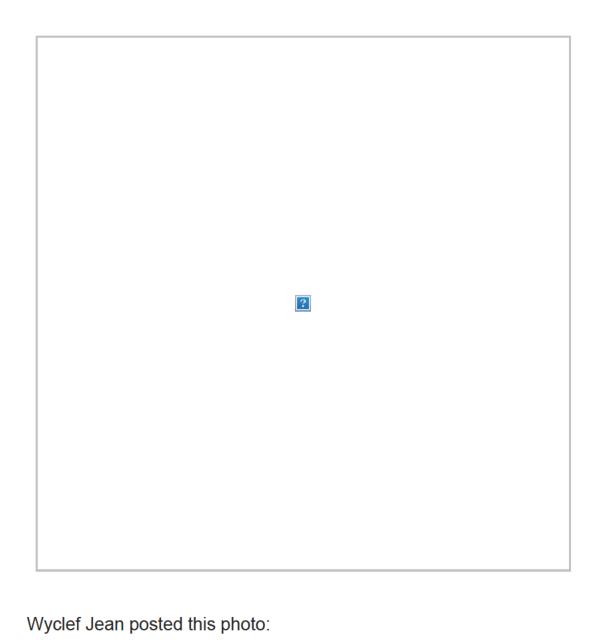


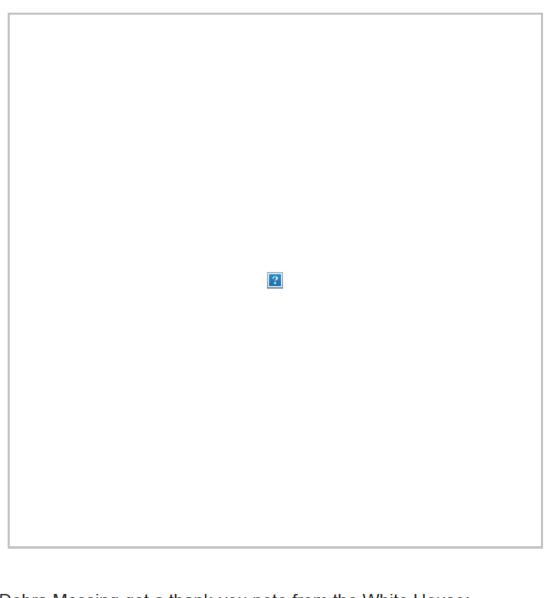
Mike Pence observed some of the damage from the firebombing in North Carolina and called it "an act of political terrorism":

Vogue endorsed Clinton, making the first ever political endorsement in the magazine's history. "We understand that Clinton has not always been a perfect candidate, yet her fierce intelligence and considerable experience are reflected in policies and positions that are clear, sound and hopeful," the magazine's editors write.

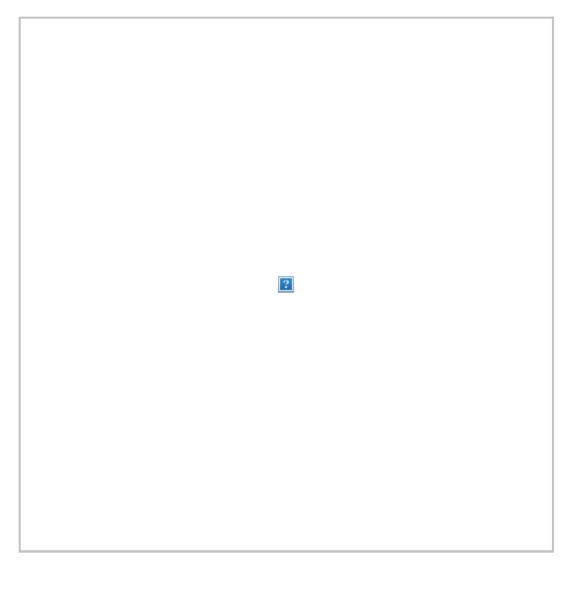


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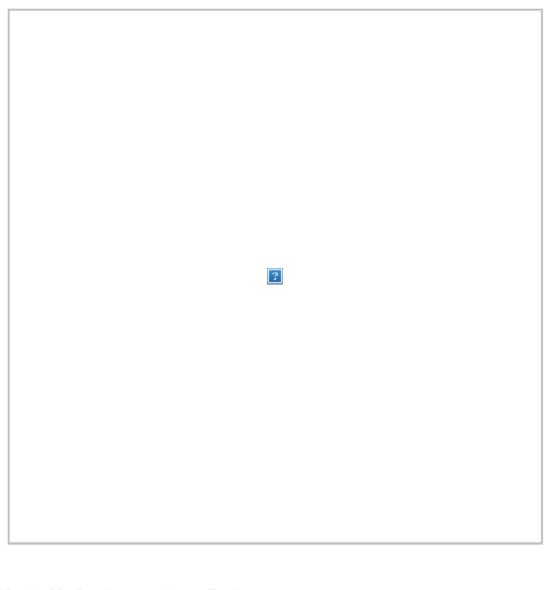




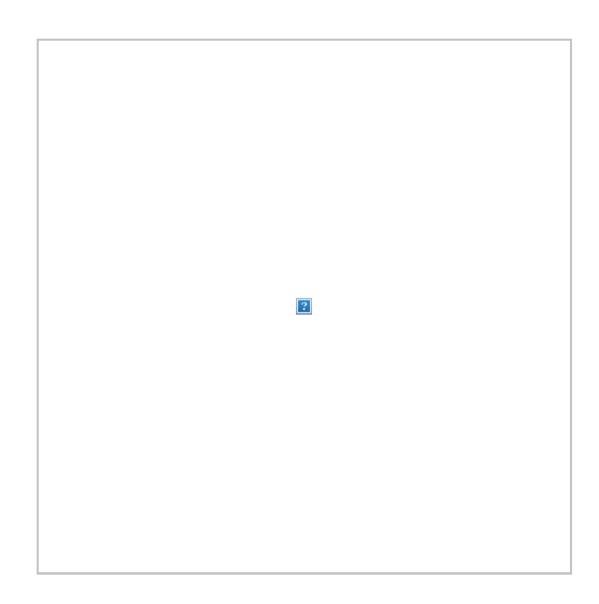
Debra Messing got a thank-you note from the White House:



Jason Chaffetz took this selfie while camping:



Kevin McCarthy went to a Dodgers game:



GOOD READS FROM ELSEWHERE:

Target These Days," by Dave Itzkoff: "Why does David Letterman have a beard? To put it more precisely: Why did Mr. Letterman, after stepping down from CBS's 'Late Show' and a 33-year career ... spend the past year and a half cultivating a fleecy and prodigious mound of facial hair ...? Did he grow these imposing bristles to keep the world at bay while he withdrew into retirement?" Was it his way of saying he was no longer the man who had spent 6,000 evenings reading Top 10 lists and interviewing 20,000 guests? Actually, he

explained, 'I just got tired of shaving every day, but then it became something else, and I'm not quite sure what it became.' In his dry Midwestern delivery, tinged with a new and unaccustomed element of wistfulness, he said: 'The beard is a good reminder to me that that was a different life. I'm hopeful that I will either find something else, or something else will be presented to me.' ... With years of vitality left, he has been trying, since his 'Late Show' farewell in May 2015, to figure out what his next step should be."

- -- National security reporter Walter Pincus prepared a list of pressing foreign policy questions that Trump and Clinton should answer in tonight's debate. Some highlights from his column for the Cipher Brief:
 - For Trump, on Russia: "At the last debate, despite your being briefed by intelligence analysts and after Director of National Intelligence James Clapper publicly identified Russia as doing the hacking, you said [Clinton] 'doesn't know if it's the Russians doing the hacking,' and then added, 'Maybe there is no hacking.' Do you not trust the U.S. intelligence community determination ... that the Russians are behind the hacking of the [DNC] emails?"
 - For Clinton, on Syria: "You are advocating a no-fly zone and safe zones. Define just what would be involved on the part of the U.S. and its allies – including forces in the air and on the ground [for protection] ... Would you seek congressional authorization to use American armed forces which will have to strike at Syrian government targets, something normally considered an act of war?"

For Trump, on Syria: On Oct. 9, you said "Syria is no longer Syria. Syria is Russia and it's Iran.' You also said Assad forces and the Russians in Syria were fighting ISIS, and implied if you were president you would no longer support any anti-Assad forces. Instead you would join with the Russians, Iranians and Assad regime in fighting ISIS. Would that be your policy for Syria? And if the Assad regime, supported by Russian and Iranian military forces, attempted to regain control over all of Syria, would you stand aside and let that happen?"

HOT ON THE LEFT

HOT ON THE RIGHT

Two little known but influential Democratic operatives lost their jobs after edited footage from a video sting by conservative activist James O'Keefe found them entertaining "dark notions" about how to win elections. From Dave Weigel: "Footage from the video shows [Scott] Foval, a Wisconsin-based politico with a long resume, bragging about a litary of political dirty tricks. In the first video, he boasts of 'conflict engagement in the lines of Trump rallies,' takes credit for the violence that canceled a Trump rally at the University of Illinois in Chicago (and) admits

he's paid 'mentally ill'
people to start trouble."
Robert Creamer also
announced he is stepping
down from the work he was
doing for a progressive
consulting group following
release of the tape. On
Tuesday night's episode of
"Hannity," two campaign
representatives said that
the tapes "validated
everything" Trump had said
about the possible threat of
the election being stolen.

DAYBOOK:

On the campaign trail: Trump and Clinton debate in Las Vegas. Tim Kaine speaks in Upper Arlington and Springfield, Ohio and Asheville, N.C.; Bernie Sanders rallies Clinton supporters in Reno, Nev. Pence speaks in Durango, Colo.

At the White House: Obama has no public events scheduled. Biden speaks about the Cancer Moonshot at the SAP Global CEO Summit in New York. Later, he travels to Boston to speak again about the project at the Edward M. Kennedy Institute.

On Capitol Hill: The Senate and House are out.

QUOTE OF THE DAY:

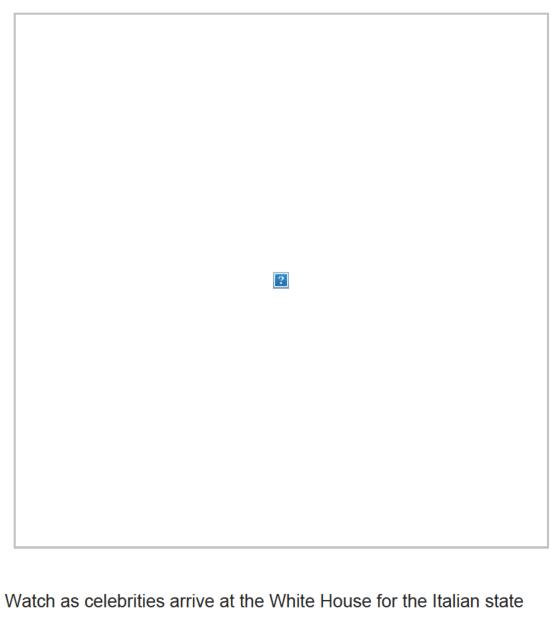
Obama mocked Trump for griping about a rigged election: "You start whining before the game's even over?"

NEWS YOU CAN USE IF YOU LIVE IN D.C.:

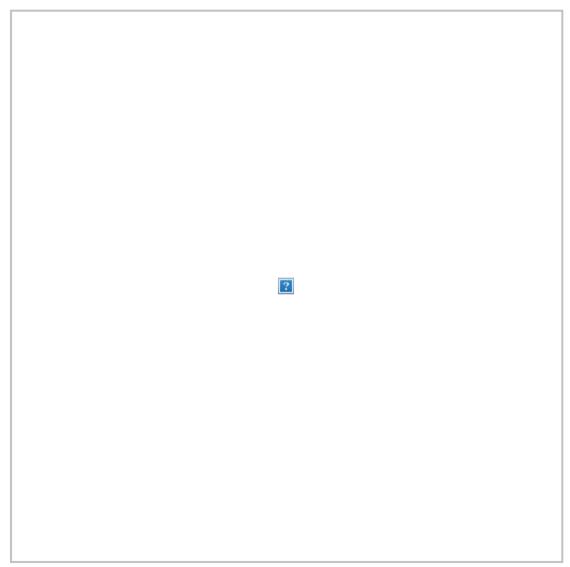
- -- "A solidly summerlike day, with partly to mostly sunny skies and noticeable humidity," the Capital Weather Gang forecasts. "Highs head for the mid-80s, with light winds from the west-southwest around 5-10 mph. The record highs to beat for the day? 88 at DCA, 83 at Dulles, and 82 at BWI."
- -- The Wizards beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 96-91.
- -- The Capitals beat the Colorado Avalanche 3-0
- -- A Richmond federal appeals court agreed to postpone oral arguments in a case over the Washington Redskins' trademark registration, further delaying a long-running case that pits the NFL team against the U.S. patent office and Native Americans groups find the team's name insulting. (lan Shapira)
- -- A high school senior was fatally stabbed on a D.C. Metrobus Tuesday evening, reportedly following a long-running dispute with another young woman over a cell phone. Police said the suspect has been taken into custody and charged. (Peter Hermann)
- -- Marriott International announced plans to relocate its headquarters to downtown Bethesda, deciding to remain in Montgomery County after getting commitment on a \$62 million publicly funded initiative. (Jonathan O'Connell)

VIDEOS OF THE DAY:

Tony Award-winning actress Laura Benanti returned to "The Late								
Show With Stephen Colbert" last night to reprise her spot-on								
parody of Melania Trump — this time with some uncomfortable Billy								
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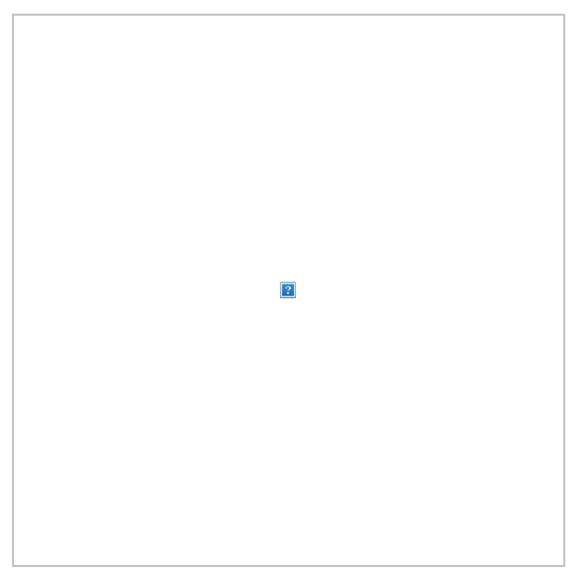


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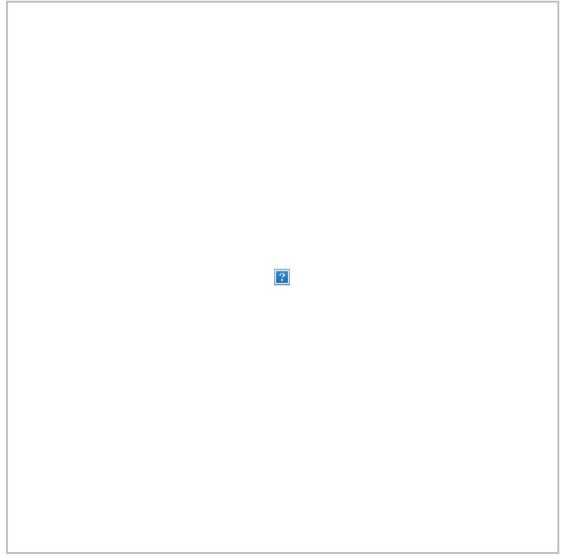
Celebrities arrive for Italian state dinner

"Dreamer" Juan Salazar, who came to the U.S. when he was seven, contemplates what's at stake in this election for him and his undocumented family members:



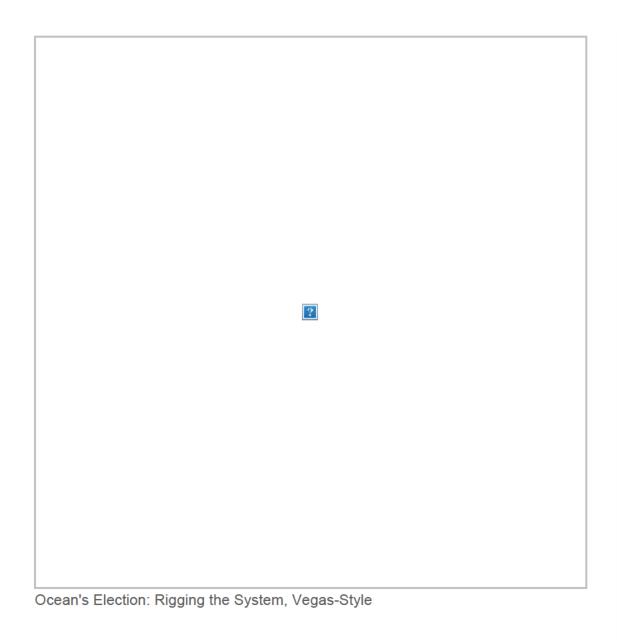
A family in fear: 'Us being separated...is just devastating'

Judy Shepard, whose son Matthew Shepard was murdered in Laramie, Wyoming, in 1998, because he was gay, cut a 1-minute spot for the Clinton Super PAC Priorities USA. "I know what can happen as the result of hate," she says to camera. "So when I see the hate that Donald Trump has brought to his campaign for president, it terrifies me. … Words have an influence, violence causes pain, hate can rip us apart. I know what can happen as the result of hate, and Donald Trump should never be our president."

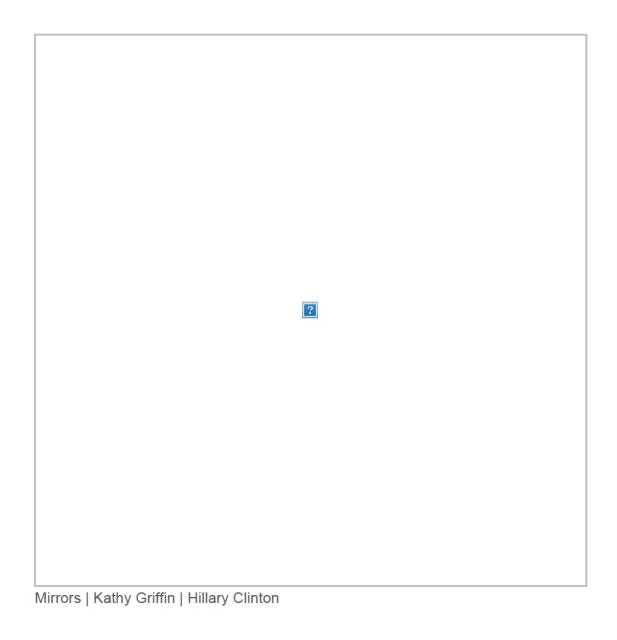


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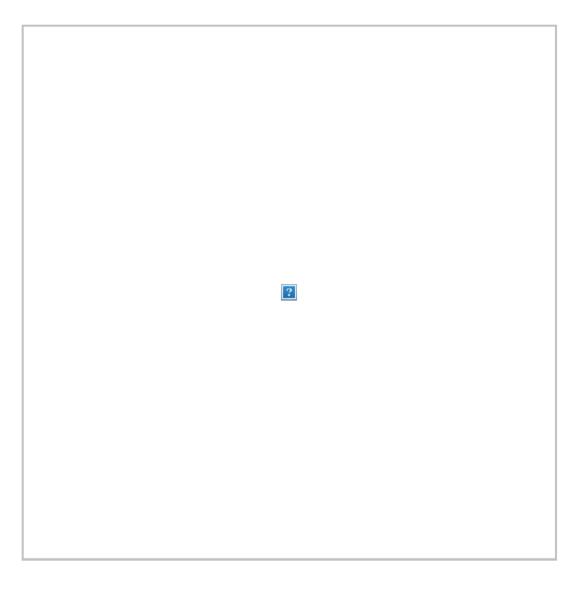
Bloomberg made an Ocean's Eleven-style explainer about whether the election is rigged:



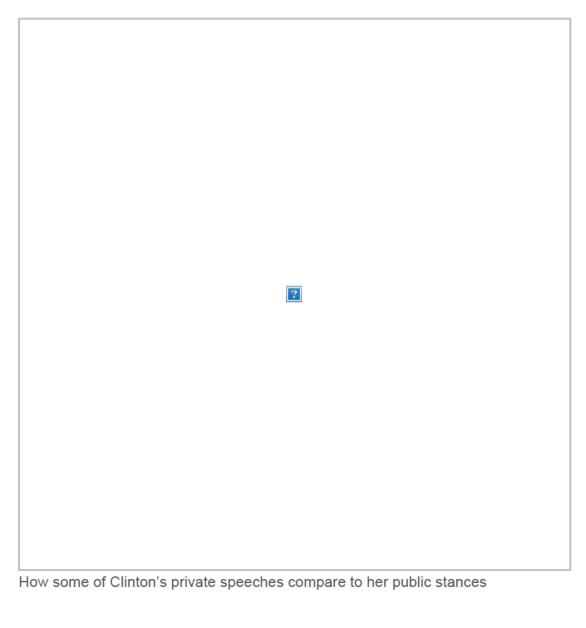
Kathy Griffin taped a video against Trump (warning: profanity):



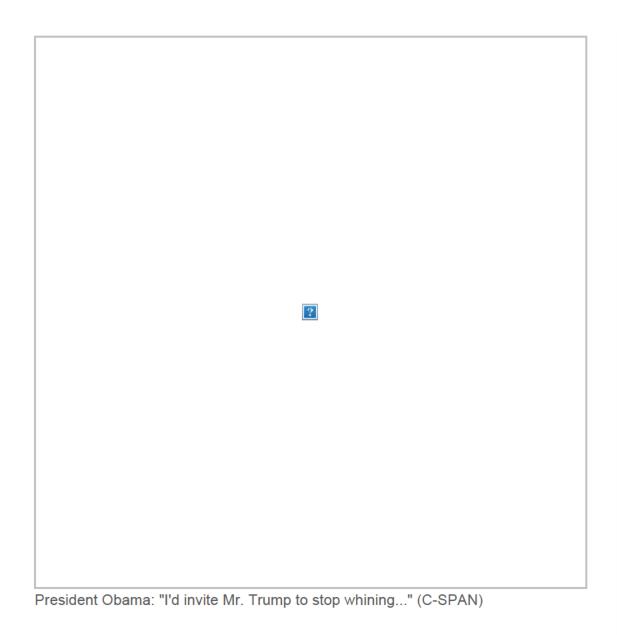
Viceland also used adult language in this Instagram video against Trump:



Compare some of what Clinton says in her stump speech to what she told Goldman Sachs bankers behind closed doors:



Watch Obama speak about Trump's "whining":



Finally, in this video, Canadians tell Americans why our country is already great:

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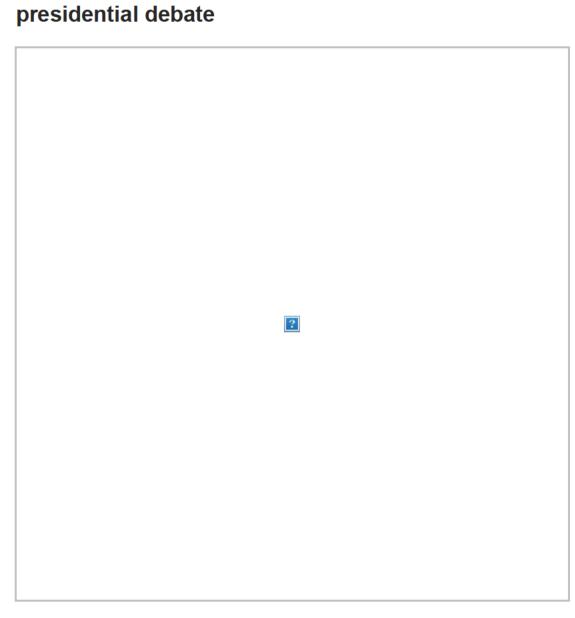
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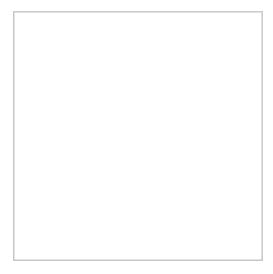
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The Supreme Court will be a focus of tonight's



Donald Trump's plane passes Hillary Clinton's plane at McCarran International Airport yesterday. The candidates have come to Las Vegas for their third and final debate. (Brendan Smialowski/AFP/Getty Images)



With Breanne Deppisch

THE BIG IDEA: The Supreme Court is one of six main topics that will be covered during tonight's final debate at the University of Nevada in Las Vegas. The late Antonin Scalia's seat continues to sit empty. An evenly-divided court has begun its new term under a cloud of uncertainty. Assuming Hillary Clinton wins, it remains unclear whether Republicans will try to confirm Merrick Garland during the lame-duck session to prevent her from putting up someone who is younger and more liberal next year.

The debate took on new significance this week when John

McCain boasted during a radio interview that Republicans would automatically oppose whomever Clinton nominates. "I promise you that we will be united against any Supreme Court nominee that Hillary Clinton, if she were president, would put up," the Arizona senator said. "I promise you!"

Attacked by his Democratic challenger, McCain's spokeswoman released a statement walking back his comment. The senator will "thoroughly examine the record of any Supreme Court nominee put

before the Senate," she said. McCain then <u>awkwardly avoided</u> a local TV reporter who tried to follow up.

Republicans, who have struggled to convince voters that they are capable of governing, talked a big game in years past about the need to be more than just "the party of no." That messaging is gone now. The prospect of four more years in the wilderness suggests that they will move back toward unapologetic obstruction.

Right now, however, they are in damage control mode. Judiciary Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley, who is up for reelection in lowa, promised yesterday to not automatically "stonewall" any Clinton pick. "If that new president happens to be Hillary, we can't just simply stonewall," Grassley said on a conference call with local press.

This is a very delicate balancing act. Vulnerable Republican incumbents are trying to convince people who are reluctantly voting for Clinton to support them by promising that they'll be a check and balance on the excesses of the Clinton presidency. One man's "check and balance," however, is another man's "obstruction." Regardless of how you play it, the bottom line is that Republicans are trying to save their majority by promising more gridlock.

If Republicans hold the Senate, Mitch McConnell will control the floor schedule and Grassley will continue to have the Judiciary gavel. So they technically could do exactly what they have for the past nine months with Garland.

Democrats are now favored to win the Senate majority. Even if they run the table, however, they'll only control around 53 seats.

That is nowhere near filibuster proof. The question then becomes: Which Republicans would cross over to vote for a President Clinton's SCOTUS picks? Could a Majority Leader Chuck Schumer cobble together 60 votes? Or does he invoke the nuclear option and change the rules to allow Supreme Court nominees to be confirmed by a simple majority? Going nuclear will probably be the easier course, both politically and procedurally, especially because the Republican blockade of Garland has cost GOP leaders much of their moral standing to oppose such a gambit.

Contrary to the will of the brilliant men who devised the Constitution, the Senate is increasingly becoming a majoritarian institution. Conservatives, who in principle should be alarmed by this trend, have shortsightedly accelerated it.

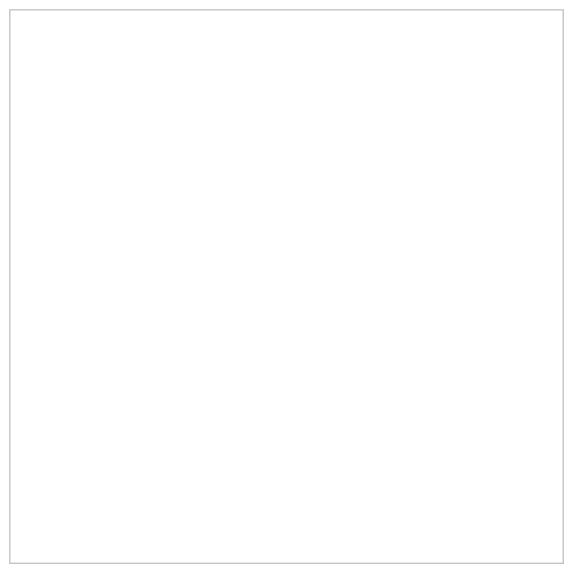


for the debate last night at UNLV. (David Goldman/AP)

-- There are two very important SCOTUS questions that the candidates have avoided giving direct answers to:

Will Clinton re-nominate Garland? Watch for her to once again dodge on this. She's called him "extremely well qualified," and she's relying heavily on Barack Obama to get her across the finish line in November. The president sees getting Garland through during the lame-duck as a top priority and a legacy achievement, but Clinton privately wants to pick someone who is younger and more liberal than the 63-year-old moderate.

Will Trump commit to nominating only people who are on his list of 21 potential picks? Aides have said the list is definitive, but the reality TV star has suggested during interviews that he might go another direction. And he has a very long history of not being true to his word. A few of the people Trump floated have chastised him. Utah Sen. Mike Lee, on the second installment of Trump's list, subsequently called on the GOP nominee to drop out. And, amusingly, federal appellate court Judge Diane Sykes (who was in the first batch of names released by Trump) ruled earlier this month against Mike Pence. She said the Indiana governor cannot interfere with the distribution of federal funds to resettle Syrian refugees in his state.



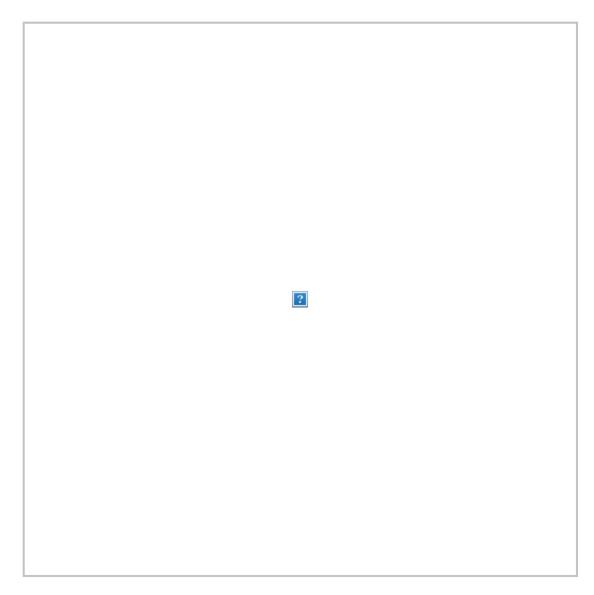
Trump speaks in Grand Junction, Colorado. (George Frey/Getty)

-- For many conservative intellectuals, stopping Clinton from appointing Scalia's replacement is no longer a good enough reason to support Trump. Among the Republican politicians who have capitulated, such as Ted Cruz, holding the Scalia seat is a favorite talking point to justify supporting someone who they privately see as dangerously authoritarian. But 29 top conservative legal scholars have signed onto a letter arguing that it is not enough. The "Originalists against Trump" do not believe Trump would protect the Constitution. And they do not trust him to actually pick from his list of

21. "More importantly, we do not trust him to respect constitutional limits in the rest of his conduct in office, of which judicial nominations are only one part," they write. The group understands that the alternative is Clinton. "Yet our country's commitment to its Constitution is not so fragile that it can be undone by a single administration or a single court," they conclude. (Read the full letter here.)

Our Robert Barnes notes that the signatories include a Northwestern law professor who was one of the founders of the Federalist Society, Steven G. Calabresi; Post columnist George F. Will; and a well-regarded conservative law professor at New York University and the University of Chicago, Richard Epstein. "The effort was organized by Duke University law professor Stephen E. Sachs and University of Chicago law professor William Baude, a pair of former clerks to Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr."

Something to ponder: Will Roberts vote for Trump? He obviously wants to regain his working majority, but he also hails from Indiana – just like Gonzalo Curiel, the federal judge whom Trump leveled repeated, racially-loaded attacks against. We'll never know...

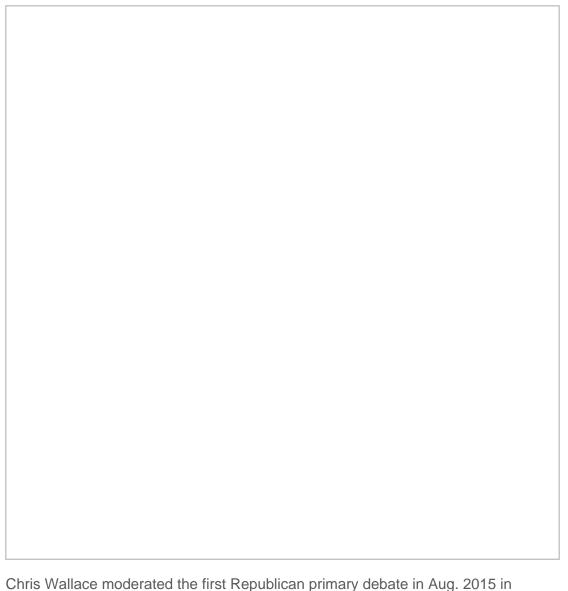


Bill greets Melania before the start of the last debate. (Paul J. Richards/AFP/Getty Images)

MORE ON WHAT TO EXPECT IN VEGAS TONIGHT:

- -- The <u>other five topics</u> that will get covered from 9 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Eastern are immigration, entitlements/debt, the economy, foreign policy and each candidate's "fitness" to serve as president.
- -- Trump's scorched-earth strategy continues. He is bringing as his guests Obama's estranged half-brother Malik and the mother

- of a Benghazi victim who has accused Clinton of "murdering" her son. It is unclear whether the campaign will reveal more surprise guests today. Clinton is bringing billionaires Mark Cuban and Meg Whitman in an effort to rattle Trump over his wealth. (Jose DelReal)
- -- Clinton spent much of this week off the trail preparing for their final showdown, a strategy which Trump mocked at a Colorado rally. He told supporters she was actually at home resting instead. "You know what the debate prep is? It's resting. It's lying down, going to sleep," he said. (Jenna Johnson)
- -- The Clinton campaign has requested that Bill and Melania do not shake hands before tonight's debate. Last time, Trump planned to parade three women who accused Clinton of sexual assault into the family seating area and force the former president to shake their hands as he crossed the room. (Jeremy Peters and Maggie Haberman, The New York Times)



Chris Wallace moderated the first Republican primary debate in Aug. 2015 in Cleveland. (Aaron Josefczyk/Reuters)

-- "Chris Wallace's Debate Role Is a Bright Spot in a Dark Year for Fox," by the New York Times's Michael Grynbaum: Chris is the first Fox journalist to take charge of a general election face-off. "It would be the most consequential night of Fox News's year — if the network had not just endured the most traumatic period in its two-decade history. [For] the team of Fox anchors and producers (in Vegas) this week, Mr. Wallace's star turn is a welcome source of pride. And, maybe, some relief. The selection of Mr. Wallace, a veteran broadcaster with a reputation for tough, mischief-making

questions, was particularly bolstering for Fox's news division, which has viewed itself as an unfairly maligned alternative to the network's stable of conservative commentators like Mr. Hannity and Bill O'Reilly."

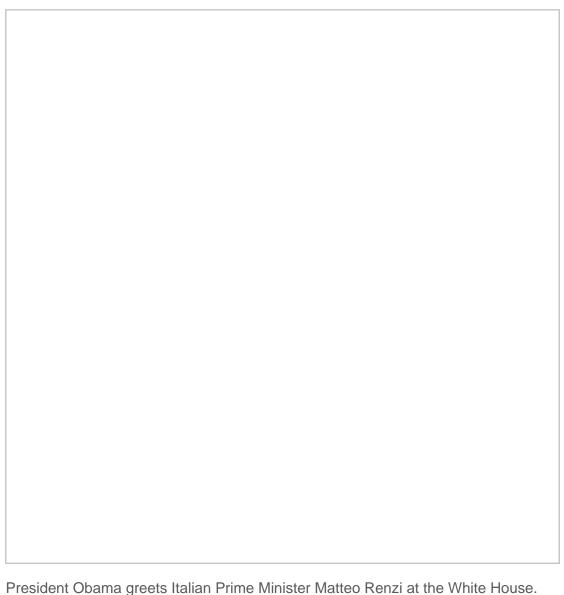
- -- Politico's Glenn Thrush preemptively declares that "Clinton will be on the defensive": "Trump's fitness to lead has, rightly, been the major focus of his conventionally lousy first debate and the national disgrace of his second one. But here's some good news for him! Trump has done such a masterful job of handing Clinton the election that the inevitable focus now is on her! America wants, demands, that final kick-the-tires test, as Barack Obama said of the process and significant questions remain about her honesty, integrity, judgment and trustworthiness. ... Beatings, like bossa novas, have a predictable rhythm. Trump's beating (however deserved or self-inflicted) has gone on for too long in terms of the cyclical attention span of modern media, and it's simply Hillary's turn."
- -- Trump's odds of turning around his campaign tonight are steep, the Boston Globe's Matt Viser posits: "Clinton arrives in Las Vegas for the final debate like a poker player holding a full house, confident and careful. Trump is furiously raising his bet, acting as if he's holding a hot hand, when polls say all he's got is a pair of jacks."
- -- Republicans are praying that Trump does not once again take
 Clinton's bait, per the Wall Street Journal's Michael Bender and
 Laura Meckler: "Democrats want Clinton to articulate a positive
 vision for the country, rising above the allegations of sexual
 misconduct and dishonesty that have permeated this election year. ...

Republicans say Trump needs to focus on his popular antiestablishment message and avoid placing any more attention on controversies over his treatment of women or rifts with fellow Republicans. 'For once he needs to make this a race that's not just about him,' said GOP consultant and former Romney adviser Kevin Madden. 'Clinton wants this race to be a referendum on Trump and his lack of temperament, and every time she lays the bait he never disappoints in taking it."

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WHILE YOU WERE SLEEPING:



President Obama greets Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi at the White House. (EPA/Michael Reynolds)

-- President Obama hosted his final state dinner, honoring Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi and his wife at a celebratory -- yet nostalgic -- reception. "If there was a collective emotion that defined the night it'd be a mix of joy and pain," Helena Andrews-Dyer and Emily Heil wrote. "Everyone involved in the Obamas' last black tie gala felt it. From guest chef Mario Batali, who said that knowing this dinner is the last adds its own brand of pride and pressure, to the president himself, who called the swanky swan song 'a bittersweet moment.' Held in a tent on the South Lawn dripping with chandeliers

and dotted with mirrored tables to conjure up the Italian 'fresco' technique, the evening featured a stroll through the first lady's kitchen garden ... a four-course meal prepared by Batali and a performance by Gwen Stefani ... But despite the night's obvious symbolism as a denouement the dinner's guests probably took the opening lines of the president's traditional toast to heart: 'In the immortal words of a great Italian American, Yogi Berra, 'It ain't over 'till it's over.'"

The Obamas rewarded many of their most loyal staffers with seats at the dinner. Among the 380 guests were the first lady's hair stylist, makeup artist, and personal trainer...

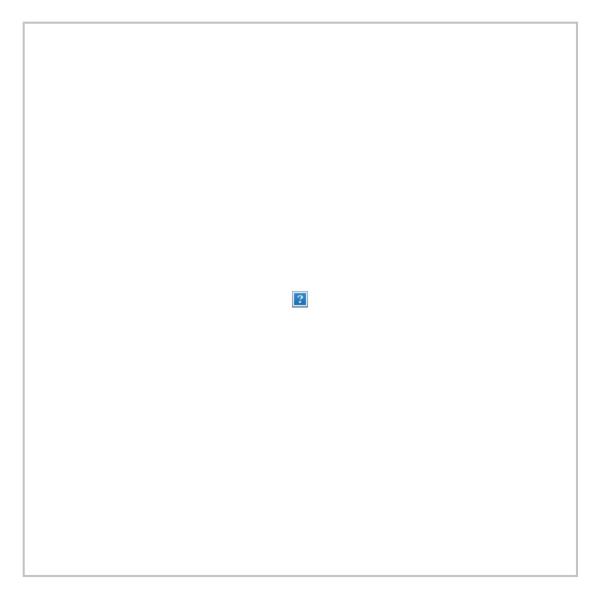
FLOTUS wore a custom rose-gold chain-mail gown from Atelier Versace. It was a slinky gown with an asymmetrical neckline that slithered like liquid metal down her torso and around her hips. "It was pure Hollywood glamour," writes Fashion Critic Robin Givhan.



-- Ecuador acknowledged that it "temporarily restricted" the Internet access of WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange at its United Kingdom embassy after WikiLeaks posted John Podesta's emails. A foreign ministry statement said that while it stands by its decision in 2012 to grant Assange asylum, it doesn't interfere in foreign elections. The ministry didn't specify the extent of the restrictions on Assange's cyber access, saying only that the limitations wouldn't affect WikiLeaks's ability to carry out its journalistic activities. Do not forget: Assange is hiding out in the

embassy to avoid facing trial for alleged sexual assault. (Nick Miroff)

- -- Marco Rubio urged Trump and the RNC to stop attacking Clinton over hacked emails published by Wikileaks: "As our intelligence agencies have said, these leaks are an effort by a foreign government to interfere with our electoral process and I will not indulge it," Rubio told ABC News's Jon Karl in an interview. "Further, I want to warn my fellow Republicans who may want to capitalize politically on these leaks: Today it is the Democrats. Tomorrow it could be us."
- -- Speaking of insecure email servers, Trump lives in a glass house. From Mother Jones' Joseph Cox: "A researcher has found that a number of email servers linked to [Trump's] hotel and others businesses are running horribly out of date software which receive no security patches, and are lacking other precautions for keeping hackers out." A number of mail servers for TrumpOrg.com, a domain registered to The Trump Organization, are using end-of-life software, including the operating system Windows Server 2003 and IIS 6.0. "Running outdated software and operating systems for your publicly facing email infrastructure is problematic, especially when you're a high profile organisation," said security architect Kevin Beaumont. "During an election where cybersecurity is such a big issue, I was a little amazed at what I saw."



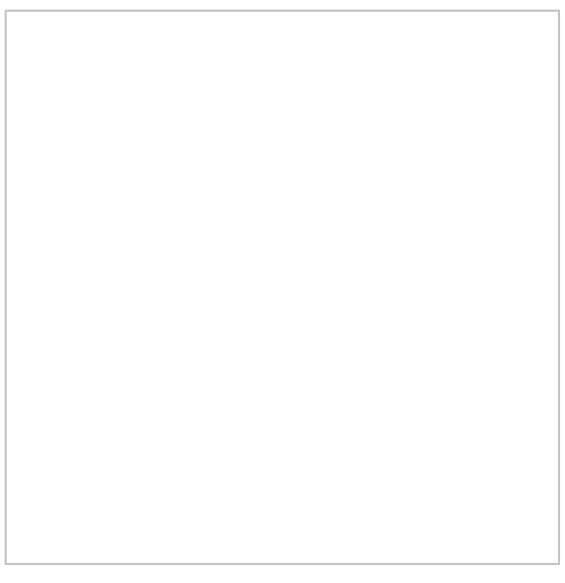
Filipino villagers gather as they prepare for a super typhoon that may hit their village. (EPA)

GET SMART FAST:

 A dangerous super typhoon is spinning like a table saw towards the Philippines, barreling down with Category-5 level winds of 160 mph. Local emergency managers are warning storm surge could exceed 15 feet when it makes landfall. The storm's arrival comes just days after another typhoon struck the country, killing at least two people. (Angela Fritz)

- A former Arkansas judge has been arrested and accused of giving lenient sentences to male defendants in exchange for sexual favors – soliciting at least nine men between the ages of 16 and 22 for what he referred to as "community service." (Kristine Guerra)
- 3. A magistrate judge delivered a victory to a transgender high school student in Illinois, allowing her to continue to use a bathroom and locker room corresponding with her gender identity. (Derek Hawkins)
- 4. More police officers have been killed in the line of duty so far this year than all of last year combined. But federal statistics also show that being a law enforcement officer has continually gotten safer over the last four decades. Since the 1970s, the death toll for cops decreased by more than half. (Mark Berman)
- Warring parties in Yemen agreed to a 72-hour ceasefire. The U.N. hopes the temporary truce will lead to a "permanent and lasting end" to the conflict. (AP)
- 6. A new lawsuit accuses public schools in Flint, Mich., of failing to meet obligations to screen children for lead exposure. The complaint alleges that the city's public school system has also failed to provide critical services and interventions to counter the effects of lead exposure. (Emma Brown)
- 7. The University of Maryland agreed to hire more staff to address sexual assault on campus, after reports that a faculty shortage was slowing down open investigations. Student government leaders proposed a student fee to help fund the office. (Susan Svrluga)

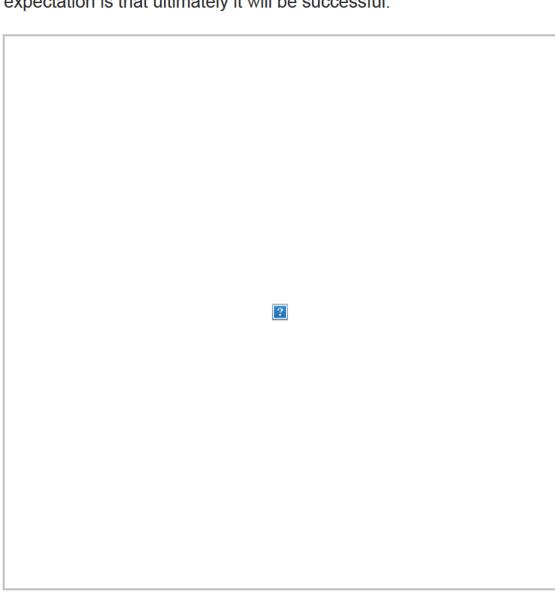
- 8. Samsung is setting up pop-up phone exchange booths at airports across the country, allowing busy travelers to trade in Galaxy 7 smartphones that were recently banned from all U.S. flights. But it's unclear what devices the kiosks will offer in replacement and, as Hayley Tsukayama notes, a crowded airport is probably not the ideal place to make such a major purchase.
- 9. The Transylvania castle that inspired the "Dracula" novels will be open to two brave souls on Halloween night, thanks to an Airbnb contest. Winners will spend the night in the 14th century digs, eating by candlelight and sleeping in velvet-lined coffins. (Cleve R. Wootson Jr.)



Members of the Iraqi Special Operations Forces outside Mosul today. (Azad Lashkari/Reuters)

-- A dispatch from the front lines --> "Evidence of a 'difficult fight' ahead as forces move toward ISIS-held Mosul," by Kareem Fahim and Loveday Morris: "To defend a few miles of unremarkable road in northern Iraq, flanked by farmland, the occasional factory and flyspeck hamlets and villages, the Islamic State militants seemed to spare no effort. They loaded a Volkswagen with explosives and secreted remote-detonated bombs ... They burned tires and dug large tunnels in houses ... The arsenal ultimately failed to protect the militants. But it seemed to slow down the action, tying up a large

contingent of Iraqi soldiers as they tried to clear the road and villages of booby traps, a few wearying feet at a time. There were still 12 grueling miles left to travel before reaching the city's outskirts. The struggle for Mosul ... is the largest and most complex so far in the battle against [ISIS] militants, who have been digging in for a fight. Residents who have recently fled the area ... say the Islamic State has been erecting concrete barricades and filling trenches with oil that can be set on fire to slow advancing forces. 'It's going to be a tough fight and a difficult fight,' Obama said on Tuesday. 'But my expectation is that ultimately it will be successful.'"



Makia Nunes, moments after she became a U.S. citizen yesterday, kisses a cardboard cutout of Hillary. She registered to vote immediately after her Naturalization Ceremony in Los Angeles. (Frederic J. Brown/AFP/Getty Images)

THE RACE CONTINUES TO MOVE AWAY FROM TRUMP:

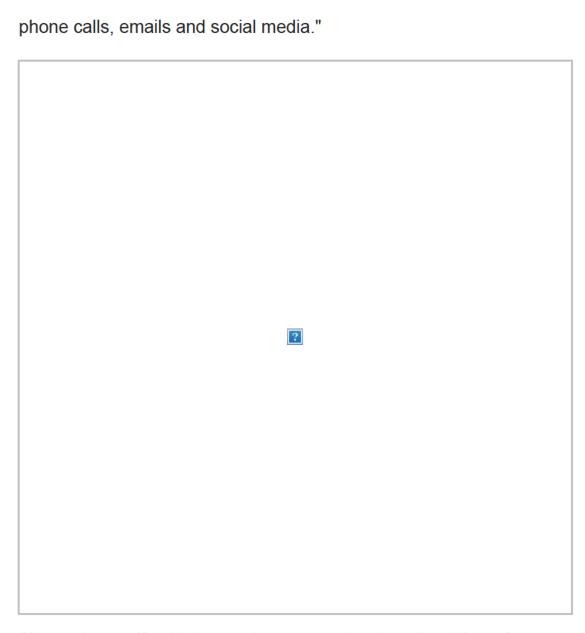
- -- The chairman of a pro-Trump super PAC, Ed Rollins, told Laura Ingraham that it "would take a miracle at this point" for Trump to win.
- -- Pre-spinning the loss, Trump campaign manager Kellyanne
 Conway says she cannot believe Clinton is not winning by a
 bigger margin given her numerous built-in advantages: "She has
 endless money. She's got a lot of the media. She has a very popular
 president and first lady campaigning for her," Conway told Anderson
 Cooper. "I will tell you, I am mystified as to why she can't get to those
 52, 53 percent numbers in some of these states given the
 disadvantages we're handed every day."
- -- Las Vegas bookies now have Clinton as a six-to-one favorite.
- -- A Washington Post/Survey Monkey poll of 15 battleground states gives Clinton a "decisive advantage" over Trump in the competition for Electoral College votes. From Dan Balz and Scott Clement: "Based on the results ... along with assumptions of the likely outcomes in other states that have consistently voted for one party or the other, [Clinton] holds leads of four percentage points or more among likely voters in states that add up to 304 electoral votes. Trump, [meanwhile], has the advantage in states with an estimated electoral vote total of 138. Arizona, Florida, Ohio and Texas, which account for 96 electoral votes, remain as toss-ups."

Down-ballot Republicans continue to outperform Trump in our survey: "Democrats need a net gain of five seats to take outright control -- four to exercise control if Clinton becomes president. The results showed Democrats with leads of four or more points in three states with GOP incumbents: New Hampshire, North Carolina and Wisconsin. Republican incumbents lead in Florida and Ohio, in the latter by a wide margin. Meanwhile, races in Nevada, for a seat currently held by Democrats, and Pennsylvania, for a seat now in Republican hands, continue to be close."

- -- A <u>Bloomberg Politics poll</u> shows Clinton with a 9 point national lead (50-41). The two tied last month. Trump is losing support among both men and those without college degrees. "This poll shows movement toward Clinton with all the right groups it takes to win," said pollster J. Ann Selzer. "Their alignment with Clinton is a formidable change in the algebra."
- -- An Arizona Republic/Arizona State University poll shows
 Clinton AHEAD in ARIZONA by 5 points. Waning support for the
 Republican nominee does not appear to have shifted down-ballot,
 however, with McCain leading by 11 points over Democratic
 challenger Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick. Support for the presidential
 candidates also appears to be somewhat baked into the cake,
 with two-thirds of voters saying they were not influenced by the
 previous two debates. Of respondents who indicated the debate
 was influential, 16 percent said they were more likely to back Clinton.
 9 percent said the same of Trump.
- -- The <u>University of Houston</u> finds Trump is only ahead by 3 points in Texas (41-38).

- -- St. Norbert College shows Clinton leading by 8 points in Wisconsin (47-39).
- -- Monmouth University puts Clinton up 7 points in Nevada (47-40). Her surge in the state is largely attributed to younger, non-white voters moving into her column over the past month.
- -- A Fox News national poll shows Clinton up 6 points (45-39).
- -- The Japanese newspaper Asahi Shimbun conducted a poll asking which candidate people thought would be more appropriate as the U.S. president. They found that only 3 percent of Japanese picked Trump, while 73 percent preferred Clinton.

 The rest had no opinion. The wording is non-traditional, but WaPo pollster Scott Clement checked out the paper's methodology and says it is legit. This will not surprise close poll watchers. Previous international surveys have found Trump to be exceptionally unpopular.
- -- Fear of an imminent terrorist attack is one of the top concerns of people across the globe, with most expecting extremist groups will acquire weapons of mass destruction, according to a new poll conducted in eight countries. From Carol Morello: "The survey, commissioned by the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), showed that many people think their governments are not doing enough to combat violent extremism. And a majority in every country polled, including the United States, overwhelmingly approved all 21 options presented to them among them, requiring identification cards for citizens and visitors; rigorous screening of immigrants; bans on incendiary religious speech; and monitoring of



Clinton takes a selfie with the crowd at a voter registration rally at Wayne State University in Detroit. (Reuters/Lucy Nicholson)

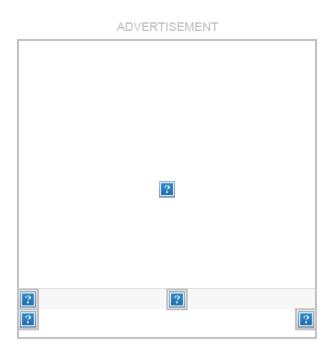
THE DAILY HILLARY:

-- Former FBI agent Brian McCauley pushed back on allegations of a "quid pro quo." He confirmed that he spoke to a top State Department official about changing the classified status of one of Clinton's emails, as well as a long-standing FBI request for additional staffing in U.S. embassies, but he denied that any

Zapotosky, McCauley acknowledged that he offered to do a favor in exchange for another favor, but before he had any inkling of what Kennedy wanted. "I said, 'Absolutely not, I can't help you,' and he took that, and it was fine," said McCauley, who was the FBI's deputy assistant director for international operations from 2012 to 2015. McCauley said that when he learned the missive concerned the attack on the U.S. diplomatic facility in Benghazi, Libya, he told Kennedy he could not help him. "I said, 'Absolutely not, I can't help you,' and he took that, and it was fine," said McCauley, who was the FBI's deputy assistant director for international operations from 2012 to 2015.

- -- "Black activists and organizers, frustrated with the Clinton campaign's inability to engage young voters, have taken it upon themselves to challenge their peers to consider the consequences if Republicans take the White House," Vanessa Williams reports. "They also have encouraged young voters to focus on state and local elections, because those officials make decisions about how police departments and schools are run, issues that more directly affect their lives. Younger African Americans, like many millennials, are not excited about this year's presidential election ... [but] because Trump's campaign has laid bare racist attitudes, the seeming indifference of black millennials to the election has sparked broad discussion within the African American community."
- -- Seventy Nobel Laureates endorsed Clinton, arguing that her election is "crucial for safeguarding freedom and preserving a constitutional government." Signatories include world-renowned

experts in science, medicine and economics, such as chemist Peter Agre, economist Robert Shiller, and physicist Robert Woodrow Wilson. Separately, a group of 140 conservative writers urged voters to reject Trump, calling him "most dangerous to our nation's founding ideals" in an open letter. Several former Republican White House staffers are on the list. (New York Times)





-- An early draft of Clinton's V.P. list: John Podesta in mid-March emailed Clinton a preliminary list of names to consider for her running mate, organized into what he termed "rough food groups." WikiLeaks posted it yesterday, and the Journal wrote it up:

The first group included her **Latino options**, including Secretary of Labor Tom Perez and Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Julián Castro.

The second consisted of **black candidates**, including Cory Booker and Eric Holder.

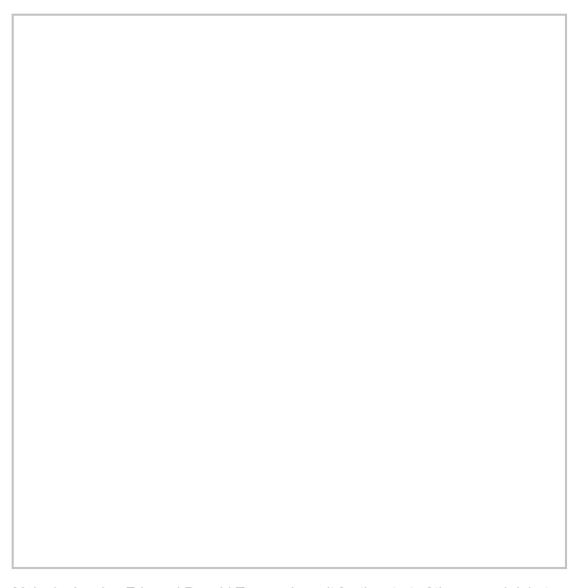
The third was **white men who could help in a swing state**, including Tim Kaine, Terry McAuliffe and Sherrod Brown.

Another section included **seven women**, including Elizabeth Warren and Jeanne Shaheen.

He also suggested **three military names**, including retired Marine Corps Gen. John Allen.

Podesta also floated **corporate options**, including Bill Gates,
Starbucks CEO Howard Schultz, Michael Bloomberg; Apple CEO Tim
Cook and Coca-Cola Co. CEO Muhtar Kent.

The final category had just one name: **Bernie Sanders**.



Melania, Ivanka, Eric and Donald Trump, Jr. wait for the start of the second debate St. Louis. (John Locher/AP)

THE DAILY DONALD:

-- People Magazine published six stories from friends and colleagues of Trump accuser Natasha Stoynoff, corroborating her accusation that the Republican nominee forced himself on her in 2005. Two people who went on the record are now People editors - deputy East Coast editor Mary Green and East Coast editor Liz McNeil. Another is Stoynoff's former journalism professor, who says she called him looking for advice immediately afterwards. And

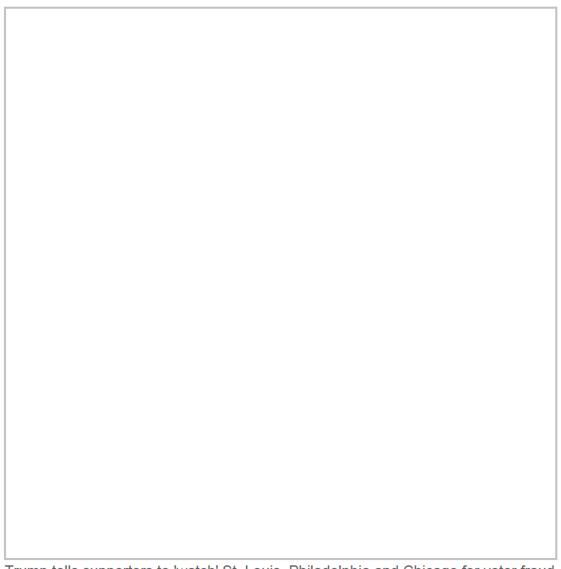
yet another friend went on the record to back her claims that she ran into Melania Trump on Fifth Avenue after the assault. The report comes as both Donald and Melania have denied the story and threatened legal action.

- -- Video surfaced yesterday of Trump attacking Condi Rice in 2006: "I wish she was a b**ch," he said. "I don't care if she's a lovely woman. I want somebody that can go and make deals. She goes to countries, nothing ever happens. Except sound bytes." When asked if she had any response to the New York Daily News report on Trump's remarks, the former secretary of state emailed CNN: "Can't wait until November 9!"
- -- Trump's alleged misconduct has started a national conversation about sexual assault. From Katie Zezima: "The debate has been particularly painful for many victims of sexual assault, who now must endure nonstop coverage of allegations of groping and kissing without consent — along with backlash against the women who made the claims about Trump. But in the 2016 presidential election, the issue has become sharply divided along partisan lines, including claims by some Trump allies that the behavior described by Trump's accusers ... might not be considered assault. The resistance against the accusers is particularly awkward for the Trump campaign, which simultaneously argues that women who accused Bill Clinton of wrongdoing years ago should be believed." GOP strategist Ashley O'Connor said that Trump is essentially saying, "You need to believe the people who have come forward and accused [Bill]. You need to believe that [Hillary] was attacking these women. But don't believe the women who have come

forward against me."

- -- Melania is taking a page from the old Hillary playbook: "Until now, Melania Trump has declined to fulfill the mundane tasks of political wives, saying her duties to her young son are more important than the demand that a spouse go along for the ride to 'humanize' a candidate," Karen Tumulty writes. "Now, however, she has found herself in a time-honored duty for a political wife when a sex scandal hits cleanup. [But] even as she defends her husband, [Melania] is willing to go only so far: In a moment where the script would appear to call for her to share a little more about 'the man I know,' she offered no personal glimpses of their lives. There was nothing more revealing than what one might hear in a campaign ad outside, perhaps, her observation that she feels like she is living with two boys, not one."
- -- Ivanka addressed her father's lewd 2005 remarks for the first time, telling Fast Company that his conversation with Billy Bush was "clearly inappropriate and offensive." "I'm glad that he acknowledged this fact with an immediate apology to my family and the American people," she added in a statement.
- -- Donald Jr. has made a series of offensive statements during interviews with shock-jock radio hosts. CNN's Andrew Kaczynski unearthed a trove of controversial remarks from the candidate's son:
 - He joked about the Aurora movie theater shooting on the same day 12 people were killed: After footage was played from a witness recounting the tragedy, Trump Jr. quipped that the survivor will still give the film "two thumbs up."

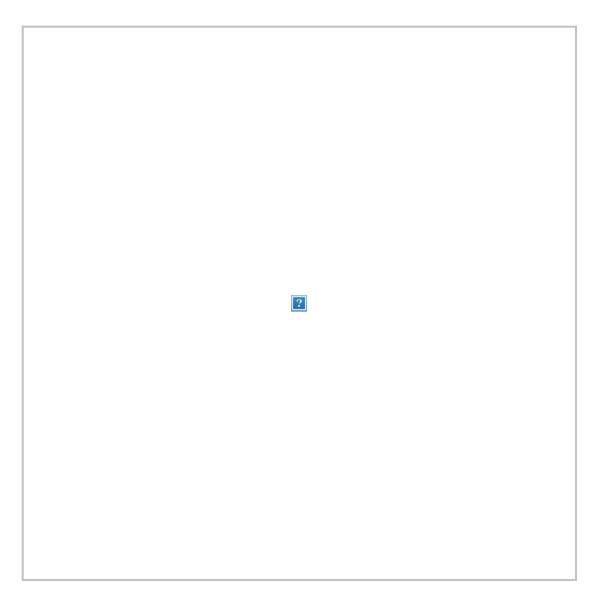
- He joked about child abuse at beauty pageants: "They yell at the kids like, yeah 'You didn't do good, you forgot to turn! You forgot your turn!" a host said, depicting the role of a stage parent. "The kids, they're crying," Trump Jr. said. "I just wanna play with Barbie." "She beats me when you're not here," said the host. "She's like limping," added Trump Jr., mocking a child's voice. "'Help me, help me." Trump Jr. added of the moms at beauty pageants, "They're all fat. Ugly."
- On not being able to mock overweight people: "By the way
 you can't ... even make fat jokes now ... that's almost the worst
 one," he said. "It's easier to, like, do a racial thing, than it is a fat
 one because everyone knows they're fat and they get really
 offended."



Trump tells supporters to 'watch' St. Louis, Philadelphia and Chicago for voter fraud

-- Doubling down on his rigged election rhetoric, Trump yesterday provided his supporters with a list of three cities where they should watch for corruption on Election Day. "Take a look at St. Louis. Take a look at Philadelphia. Take a look at Chicago," Trump said in Colorado. "Look, look, if nothing else, people are going to be watching on November 8. Watch Philadelphia. Watch St. Louis. Watch Chicago, watch Chicago. Watch so many other places." (Two of those cities are in states that are not considered competitive, Jenna Johnson notes.)

- -- Local election officials are panicking that Trump's reckless rhetoric will lead his supporters to bring guns to polling places, but they're mostly powerless to do anything about it: "The Prince William County (Virginia) electoral board ... considered seeking a one-day ban on weapons at polling places located on private property but was rebuked by a gun-friendly state legislator." Patricia Sullivan reports. "Del. Robert G. Marshall (R-Prince William) sent a letter to the board pointing out that it has no power to ban guns from polling places except for schools and courthouses, where weapons are prohibited by state law. ... Virginia's election officials have been discussing on their private email list the possibility of intimidation or violence Nov. 8 and talking about what to do about unruly observers. ... Seventy of Prince William's 91 polling places are in schools, with the remaining 21 in churches, fire halls and community centers. Firearms are allowed in county government buildings, such as fire stations, libraries and community centers."
- -- Trump called for a Constitutional amendment to put in place congressional term limits, but he provided no details about the details. (Jenna Johnson)



Supporters of Nicolas Maduro display a giant inflatable dummy depicting late President Hugo Chavez in Caracas. (Juan Barreto/Getty)

-- Venezuelan journalist and political scientist Francisco Toro argues that Trump really is much more like Nicolás Maduro than Hugo Chavez: "Again and again, since taking over in 2013, Maduro has run roughshod over the constitution in ways Chávez never dared to ... [and] for Venezuelans, the past year has been an object lesson in how dangerous this approach can be. Last week, we followed this crazy dynamic off the deep end, when the court overturned 800 years of constitutional practice, dating back to the original Magna Carta, ruling that when the constitution says the legislative branch has to

vote on the national budget, it means the president can just approve budgets on his own. ... Having your democracy commit suicide under the lure of a charismatic demagogue is not the kind of experience you can fully make sense of unless you've lived it in your own skin. Before 2016, no explanation I could give my American friends was enough. Now, my American friends can just turn on CNN and watch it happening live."

THE BATTLEGROUNDS:

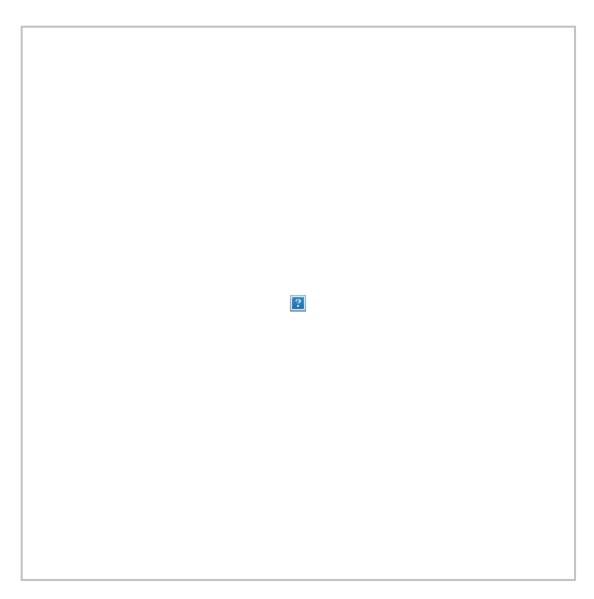
- -- A civil rights group filed a federal lawsuit to force Virginia to extend its voter registration period, after the state's online system crashed on Monday. The technological glitch prohibited registration from an unknown number of participants. Some have estimated the number to be in the "tens of thousands." (Laura Vozzella)
- -- Pro-Clinton super PAC Priorities USA announced it will begin airing ads in two Senate races and will start airing television and radio ads in Georgia to boost Clinton. "New ads will support Gov. Maggie Hassan in the New Hampshire Senate race against Republican Sen. Kelly Ayotte and Katie McGinty in the Pennsylvania Senate race against Sen. Patrick J. Toomey," Abby Phillip writes. "The super PAC also plans a new seven-figure television ad buy in Georgia in addition to new radio ads targeted at African American voters. The state has not been won by the Democratic presidential nominee since 1992."
- -- DNC officials issued an apology after one of its campaign buses was recorded illegally dumping sewage into a Georgia

storm drain, calling the leak an "honest" but "unacceptable" mistake. The driver of the bus – adorned with larger-than-life faces of Clinton and Kaine – said the vehicle's sewage tank was full and leaking out. A guy in an auto parts repair store spotted him and record it. (Katie Mettler)

- -- The race for Rep. Barbara Comstock's House seat in Northern Virginia has tightened. From Jenna Portnoy: The Cook Political Report is moving the race up to toss-up, while the Rothenberg & Gonzales Political Report already considers it a toss-up district, tilting to the Republican. "Experts consider the district among the most competitive in the nation despite lackluster fundraising numbers from Democratic challenger LuAnn Bennett and evidence [Trump] might not be the anchor on down-ballot candidates some had expected," Portnoy writes. The two will face off this morning for the final debate of the campaign.
- Bloc: White Catholics," by the New York Times's Jason Horowitz in Philly: "Since the election of Ronald Reagan, white Roman Catholics have flocked to Republican nominees for a raft of reasons, including their stances on social issues like abortion and same-sex marriage. But this year, something seems different. 'Trump is the exception to the rule,' said 67-year-old Carol Robinson, leaving an afternoon prayer meeting in Philadelphia. 'He's a loose cannon.' Roman Catholics are the country's second-largest religious group after evangelical Protestants, and they are as diverse as the country itself, with young liberals, cultural conservatives and, increasingly, Democratic-leaning Hispanics."

One quiet influencer could be Pope Francis, wh emphasizes inclusion and the welfare of the poor over divisive issues like abortion and homosexuality. In February, he suggested Trump "is not a Christian."

-- Harry Reid reflects on when Trump used to be one of his donors in an interview with Paul Kane: "Reid found a priceless piece of memorabilia recently while sorting through 34 years of congressional papers. It's a picture of Reid with [Trump], inside the real-estate developer's Manhattan home, both men smiling. He's pretty sure it's from 1992, when [he] was running his first Senate reelection bid and when [Trump] was happy to help Democrats. Reid appreciated Trump's generosity. 'He wasn't much of a big shot then, neither was I,' Reid recalled ... Over the years when Trump was a reliable donor to Senate Democrats, Reid saw no signs of a future Republican presidential candidate who he would later eviscerate as a 'racist' and a 'human leech.' Now, heading into political twilight, the former boxer is clearly relishing what is essentially his last campaign through attacks on Trump ... 'I'm kind of an unusual politician,' he said."



Libertarian Lucy Brenton, Democrat Evan Bayh and Republican Todd Young debate in Indianapolis last night. (AP Photo/Michael Conroy, Pool)

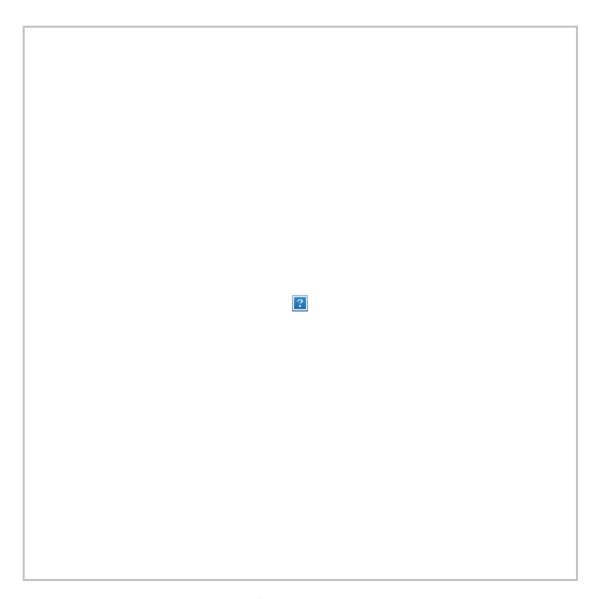
SENATE DEBATES:

-- "Indiana's Senate race got personal Tuesday," the Indianapolis Star's Maureen Groppe and James Briggs write.

"After weeks of attacking each other in campaign commercials, former Sen. Evan Bayh and GOP Rep. Todd Young directly accused each other of not representing Hoosiers' interests in their [sole debate] ... Young repeatedly charged Bayh, a Democrat, with following the orders of Washington insiders and looking out for

himself. 'Evan Bayh took the money and ran,' Young said after criticizing Bayh's vote for the Affordable Care Act. 'He joined a major lobbying firm in Washington, D.C., and he represented clients that needed relief from the very problem he created from Obamacare.' Bayh said Young has voted against the needs of veterans, seniors and workers who are losing their jobs to overseas competition. And he accused Young of lying about his record. 'Congressman Young has told so many whoppers here tonight, it's hard to keep track," Bayh said.

-- The final debate between Sen. Ron Johnson and Democrat Russ Feingold also turned personal, the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel's Bill Glauber reports: "Skirmishing over campaign finance, national security, the economy and the presidential candidates, the men engaged in a feisty 90-minute clash ... With polls showing a tight race, there was little room for error as the candidates sought to shore up their base support while reaching out to the small number of undecided voters. In a sense, the debate was six years in the making as the two men entered the closing stretch of their rematch race. Throughout the debate, Feingold claimed that Johnson 'didn't have a plan' on issues. Johnson fired back, 'Senator Feingold' is always going to have a plan to grow government." "I will stand with the people of this state," Feingold said. "Senator Johnson stands with the corporations, the billionaires and the multi-millionaires." In rebuttal, Johnson said he "understands what it's like to work": "I'm the working man," he said. "I've worked hard all my life."



A pan handler sits with a "Give me \$1 or I'm voting for Trump" sign in Manhattan. (Carlo Allegri)

IT'S SILLY SEASON:

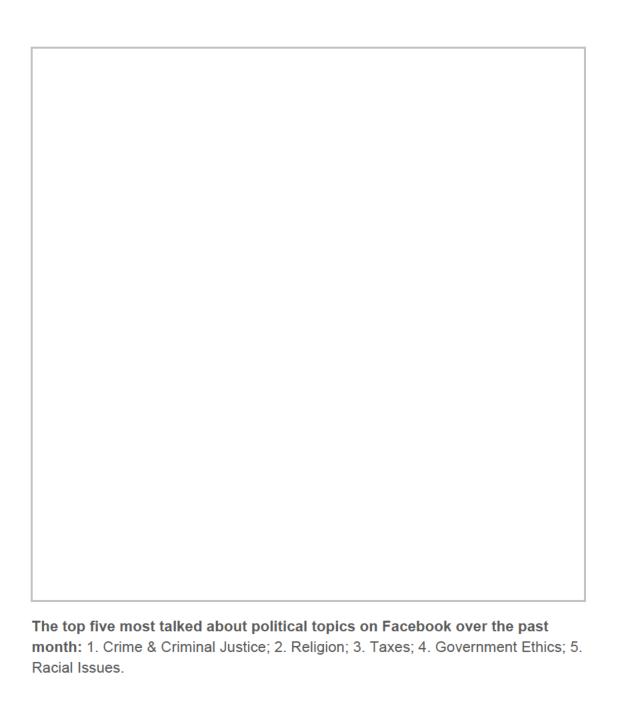
-- A Wisconsin woman was arrested after she spread peanut butter on 30 cars that she believed belonged to Trump supporters. But it turns out the cars actually belonged to members of a local conservation club! "Witnesses said 32-year-old Christina Ferguson stormed into the club meeting on Monday night, holding what a Portage County deputy's report described as a 'family-size jar of low-sodium, creamy natural Jif," HuffPost reports. "Officers

said Ferguson grew emotional as she explained how much she loved Clinton and hated Trump. She then explained why she'd misused peanut butter. 'Peanut butter is better than fire-bombing,' the officer quoted her as saying. She added that Trump wants to fire-bomb everybody in other countries."

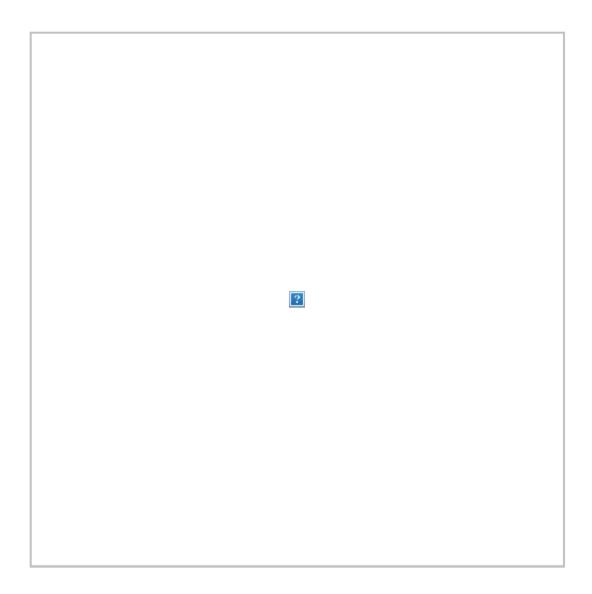
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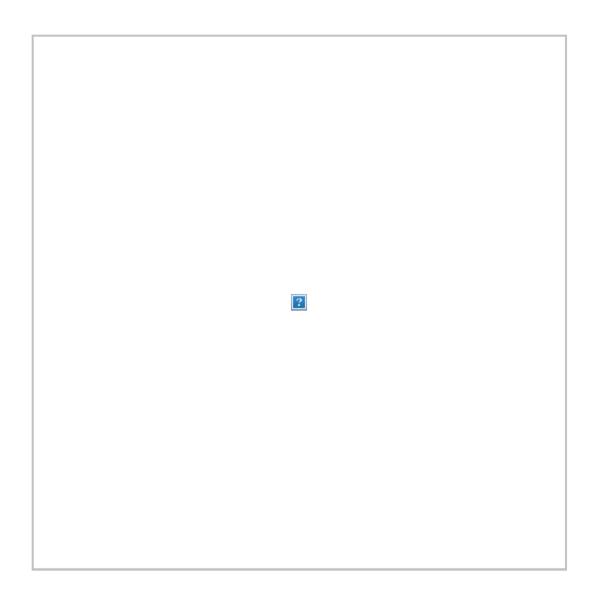
Over 62 million people on Facebook in the U.S. posted about, shared, liked or commented on content related to Trump over 931 million times in the last month. The chart below shows the unique number of people on Facebook engaging in the conversation about each candidate – as well as the number of interactions those people generated. Interactions represents the total aggregate number of likes, posts, comments and shares made about a particular candidate within the timeframe. The interactions figure includes not only the activity on the candidate's page, but all of the likes, posts, comments and shares about that candidate from throughout Facebook:



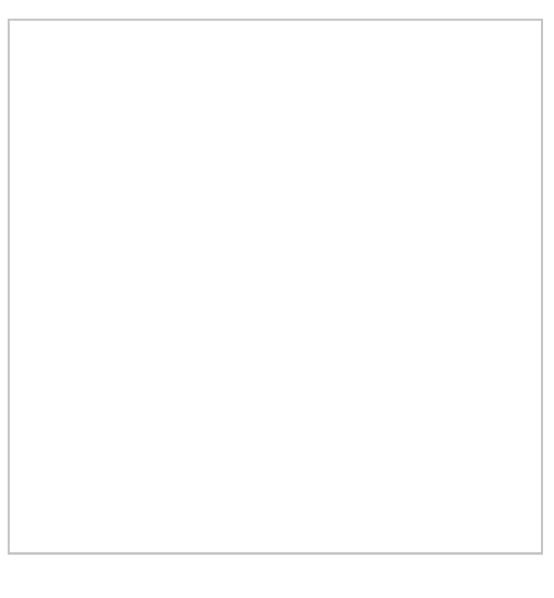
The Onion is on the lookout for late-breaking Trump news:



Coming soon to a Las Vegas billboard:

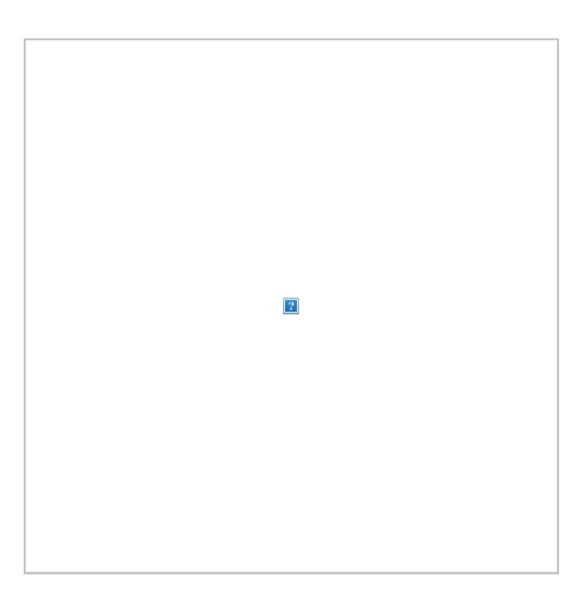


Fox's Sean Hannity and CNN's Brian Stelter went back-and-forth on the issue of voter fraud:

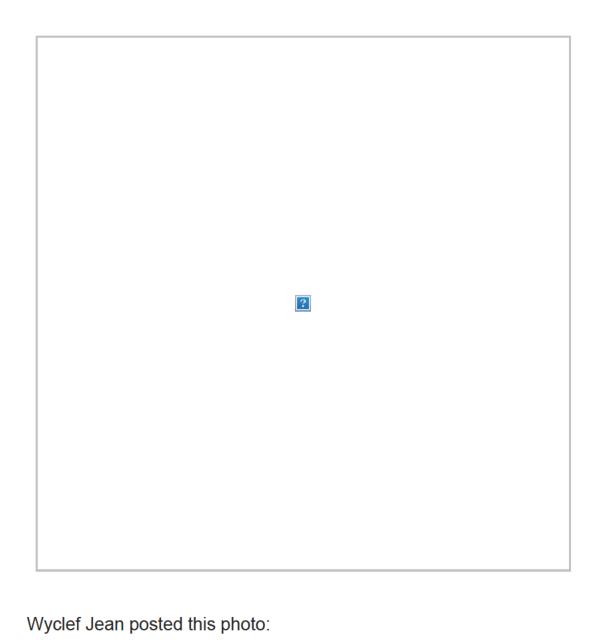


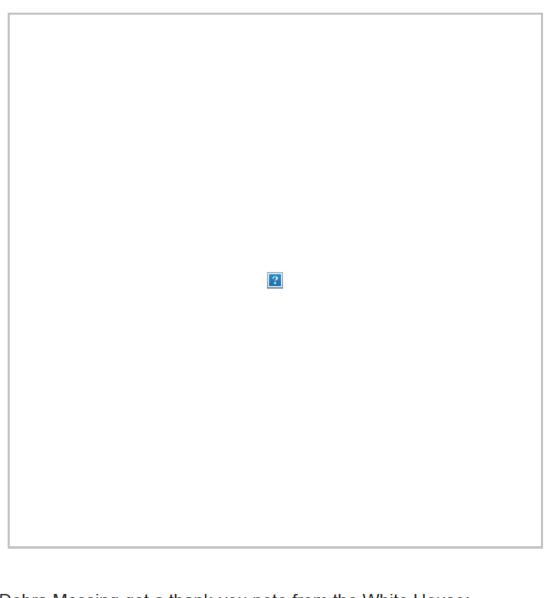
Mike Pence observed some of the damage from the firebombing in North Carolina and called it "an act of political terrorism":

Vogue endorsed Clinton, making the first ever political endorsement in the magazine's history. "We understand that Clinton has not always been a perfect candidate, yet her fierce intelligence and considerable experience are reflected in policies and positions that are clear, sound and hopeful," the magazine's editors write.

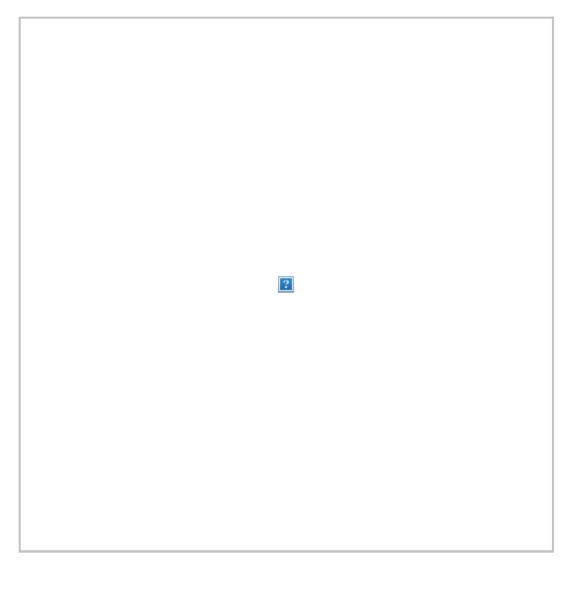


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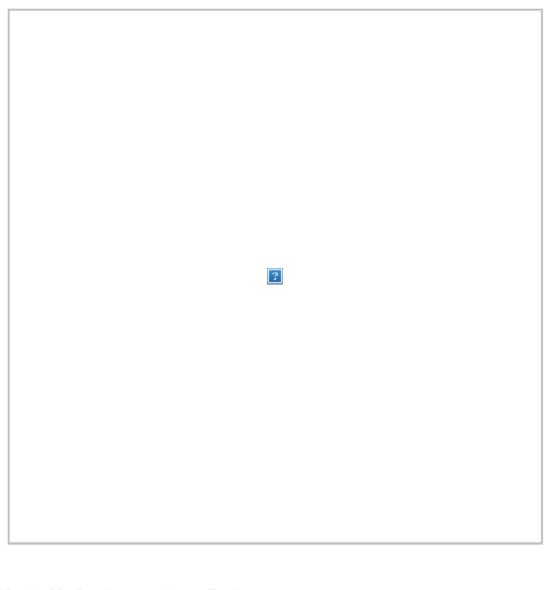




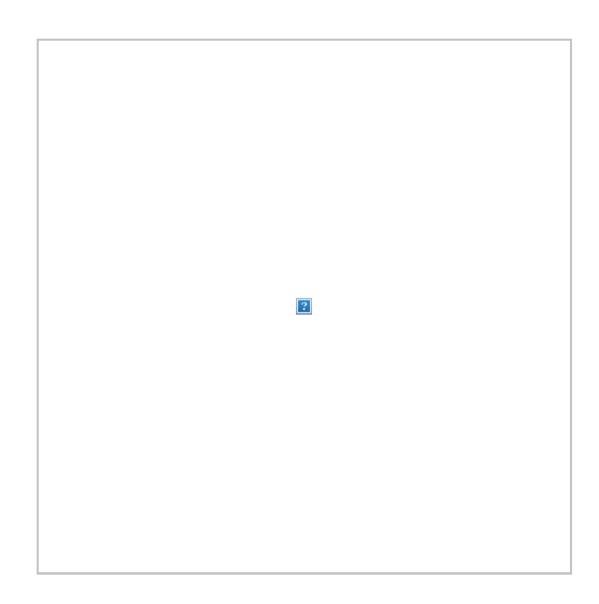
Debra Messing got a thank-you note from the White House:



Jason Chaffetz took this selfie while camping:



Kevin McCarthy went to a Dodgers game:



GOOD READS FROM ELSEWHERE:

Target These Days," by Dave Itzkoff: "Why does David Letterman have a beard? To put it more precisely: Why did Mr. Letterman, after stepping down from CBS's 'Late Show' and a 33-year career ... spend the past year and a half cultivating a fleecy and prodigious mound of facial hair ...? Did he grow these imposing bristles to keep the world at bay while he withdrew into retirement?" Was it his way of saying he was no longer the man who had spent 6,000 evenings reading Top 10 lists and interviewing 20,000 guests? Actually, he

explained, 'I just got tired of shaving every day, but then it became something else, and I'm not quite sure what it became.' In his dry Midwestern delivery, tinged with a new and unaccustomed element of wistfulness, he said: 'The beard is a good reminder to me that that was a different life. I'm hopeful that I will either find something else, or something else will be presented to me.' ... With years of vitality left, he has been trying, since his 'Late Show' farewell in May 2015, to figure out what his next step should be."

- -- National security reporter Walter Pincus prepared a list of pressing foreign policy questions that Trump and Clinton should answer in tonight's debate. Some highlights from his column for the Cipher Brief:
 - For Trump, on Russia: "At the last debate, despite your being briefed by intelligence analysts and after Director of National Intelligence James Clapper publicly identified Russia as doing the hacking, you said [Clinton] 'doesn't know if it's the Russians doing the hacking,' and then added, 'Maybe there is no hacking.' Do you not trust the U.S. intelligence community determination ... that the Russians are behind the hacking of the [DNC] emails?"
 - For Clinton, on Syria: "You are advocating a no-fly zone and safe zones. Define just what would be involved on the part of the U.S. and its allies – including forces in the air and on the ground [for protection] ... Would you seek congressional authorization to use American armed forces which will have to strike at Syrian government targets, something normally considered an act of war?"

For Trump, on Syria: On Oct. 9, you said "Syria is no longer Syria. Syria is Russia and it's Iran.' You also said Assad forces and the Russians in Syria were fighting ISIS, and implied if you were president you would no longer support any anti-Assad forces. Instead you would join with the Russians, Iranians and Assad regime in fighting ISIS. Would that be your policy for Syria? And if the Assad regime, supported by Russian and Iranian military forces, attempted to regain control over all of Syria, would you stand aside and let that happen?"

HOT ON THE LEFT

HOT ON THE RIGHT

Two little known but influential Democratic operatives lost their jobs after edited footage from a video sting by conservative activist James O'Keefe found them entertaining "dark notions" about how to win elections. From Dave Weigel: "Footage from the video shows [Scott] Foval, a Wisconsin-based politico with a long resume, bragging about a litary of political dirty tricks. In the first video, he boasts of 'conflict engagement in the lines of Trump rallies,' takes credit for the violence that canceled a Trump rally at the University of Illinois in Chicago (and) admits

he's paid 'mentally ill'
people to start trouble."
Robert Creamer also
announced he is stepping
down from the work he was
doing for a progressive
consulting group following
release of the tape. On
Tuesday night's episode of
"Hannity," two campaign
representatives said that
the tapes "validated
everything" Trump had said
about the possible threat of
the election being stolen.

DAYBOOK:

On the campaign trail: Trump and Clinton debate in Las Vegas. Tim Kaine speaks in Upper Arlington and Springfield, Ohio and Asheville, N.C.; Bernie Sanders rallies Clinton supporters in Reno, Nev. Pence speaks in Durango, Colo.

At the White House: Obama has no public events scheduled. Biden speaks about the Cancer Moonshot at the SAP Global CEO Summit in New York. Later, he travels to Boston to speak again about the project at the Edward M. Kennedy Institute.

On Capitol Hill: The Senate and House are out.

QUOTE OF THE DAY:

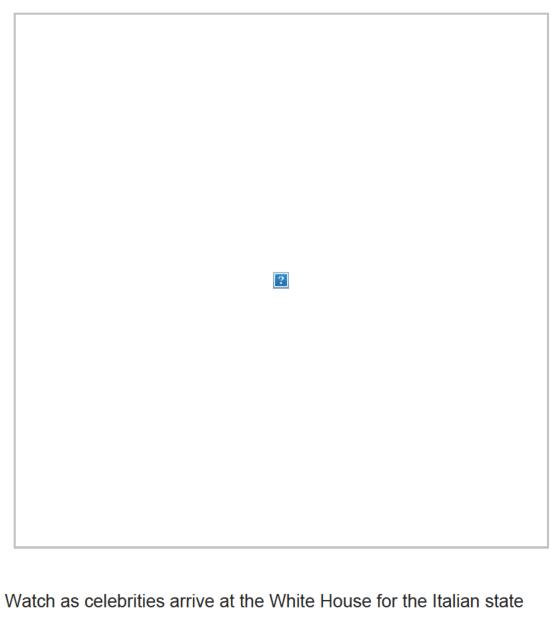
Obama mocked Trump for griping about a rigged election: "You start whining before the game's even over?"

NEWS YOU CAN USE IF YOU LIVE IN D.C.:

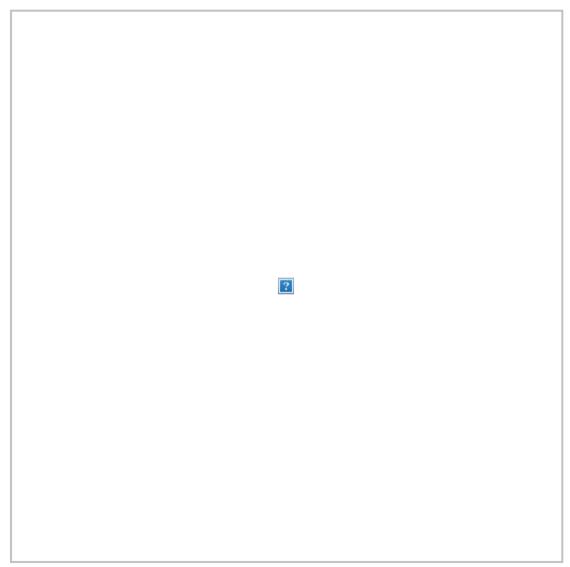
- -- "A solidly summerlike day, with partly to mostly sunny skies and noticeable humidity," the Capital Weather Gang forecasts. "Highs head for the mid-80s, with light winds from the west-southwest around 5-10 mph. The record highs to beat for the day? 88 at DCA, 83 at Dulles, and 82 at BWI."
- -- The Wizards beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 96-91.
- -- The Capitals beat the Colorado Avalanche 3-0
- -- A Richmond federal appeals court agreed to postpone oral arguments in a case over the Washington Redskins' trademark registration, further delaying a long-running case that pits the NFL team against the U.S. patent office and Native Americans groups find the team's name insulting. (lan Shapira)
- -- A high school senior was fatally stabbed on a D.C. Metrobus Tuesday evening, reportedly following a long-running dispute with another young woman over a cell phone. Police said the suspect has been taken into custody and charged. (Peter Hermann)
- -- Marriott International announced plans to relocate its headquarters to downtown Bethesda, deciding to remain in Montgomery County after getting commitment on a \$62 million publicly funded initiative. (Jonathan O'Connell)

VIDEOS OF THE DAY:

Tony Award-winning actress Laura Benanti returned to "The Late								
Show With Stephen Colbert" last night to reprise her spot-on								
parody of Melania Trump — this time with some uncomfortable Billy								
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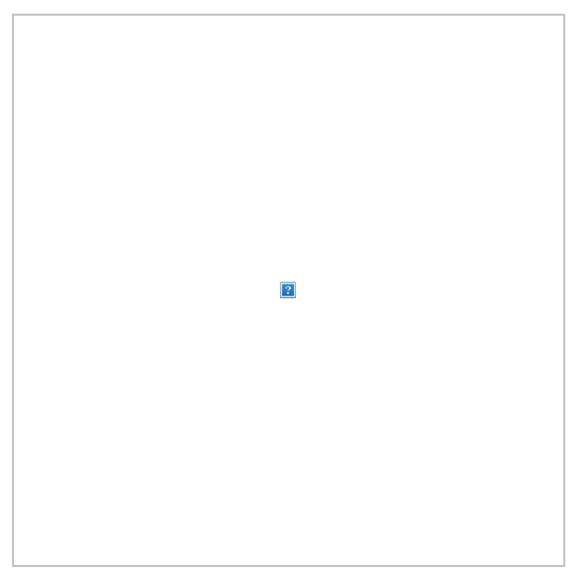


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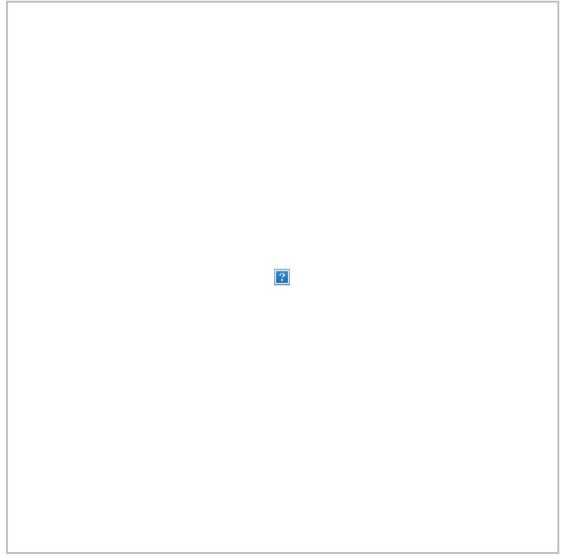
Celebrities arrive for Italian state dinner

"Dreamer" Juan Salazar, who came to the U.S. when he was seven, contemplates what's at stake in this election for him and his undocumented family members:



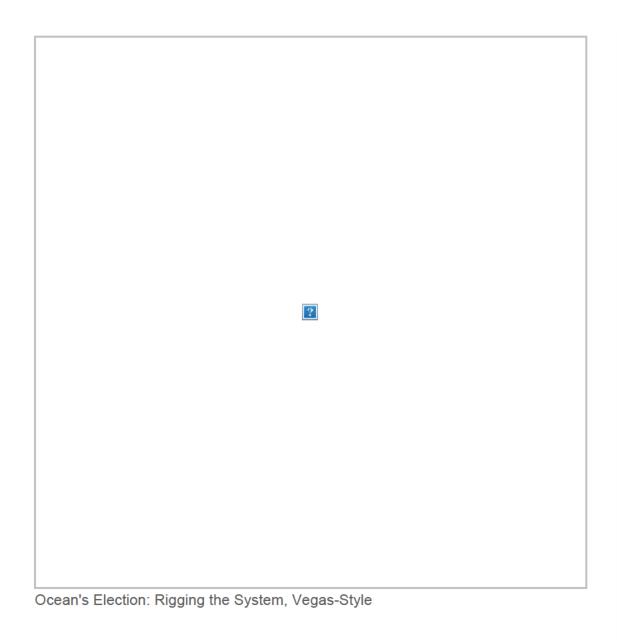
A family in fear: 'Us being separated...is just devastating'

Judy Shepard, whose son Matthew Shepard was murdered in Laramie, Wyoming, in 1998, because he was gay, cut a 1-minute spot for the Clinton Super PAC Priorities USA. "I know what can happen as the result of hate," she says to camera. "So when I see the hate that Donald Trump has brought to his campaign for president, it terrifies me. … Words have an influence, violence causes pain, hate can rip us apart. I know what can happen as the result of hate, and Donald Trump should never be our president."

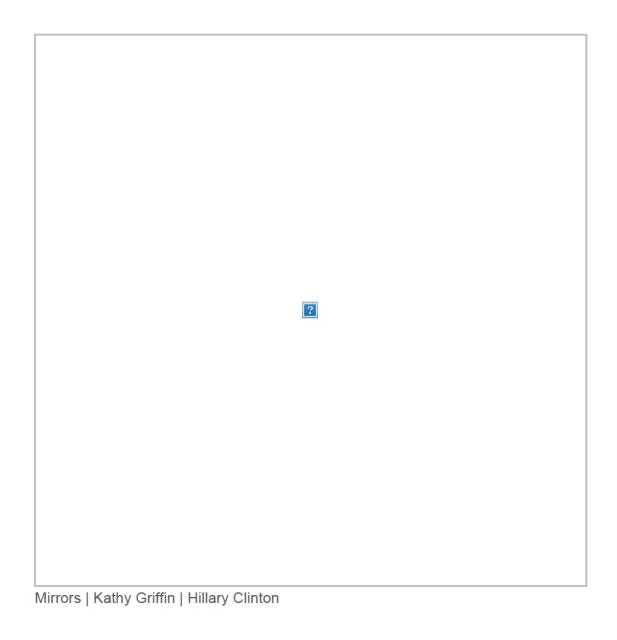


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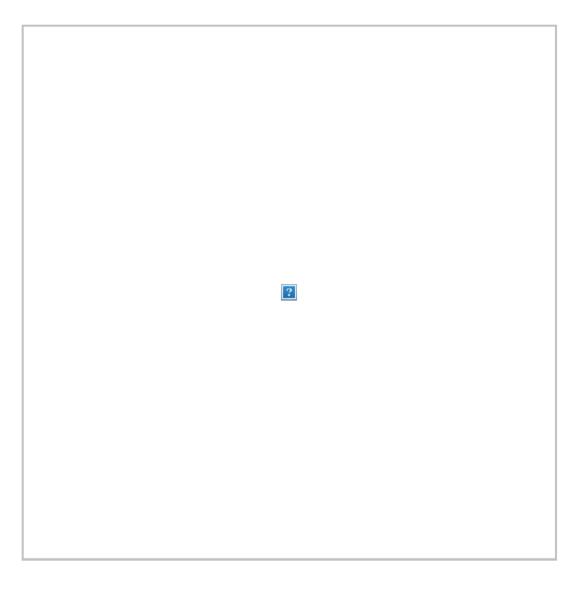
Bloomberg made an Ocean's Eleven-style explainer about whether the election is rigged:



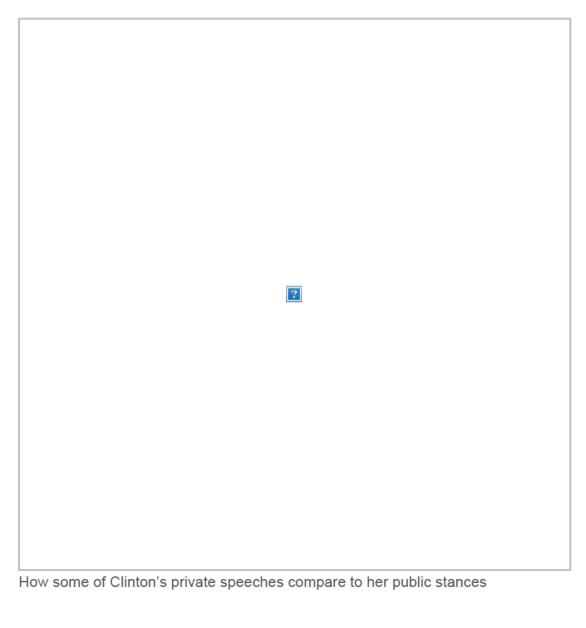
Kathy Griffin taped a video against Trump (warning: profanity):



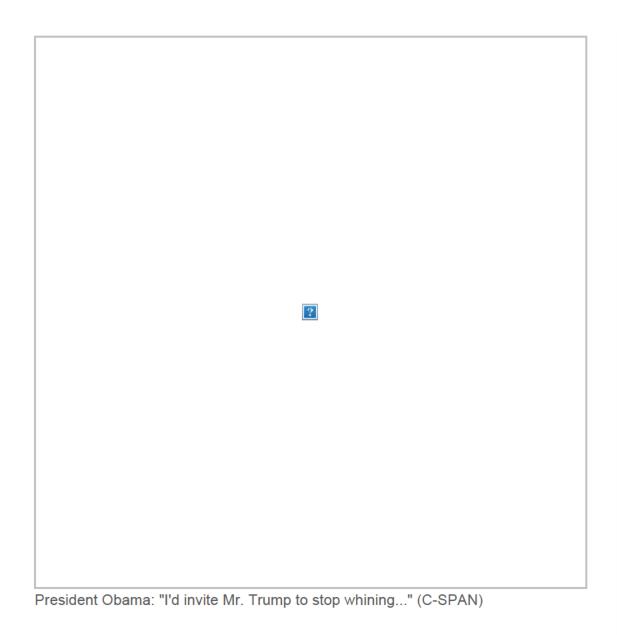
Viceland also used adult language in this Instagram video against Trump:



Compare some of what Clinton says in her stump speech to what she told Goldman Sachs bankers behind closed doors:



Watch Obama speak about Trump's "whining":



Finally, in this video, Canadians tell Americans why our country is already great:

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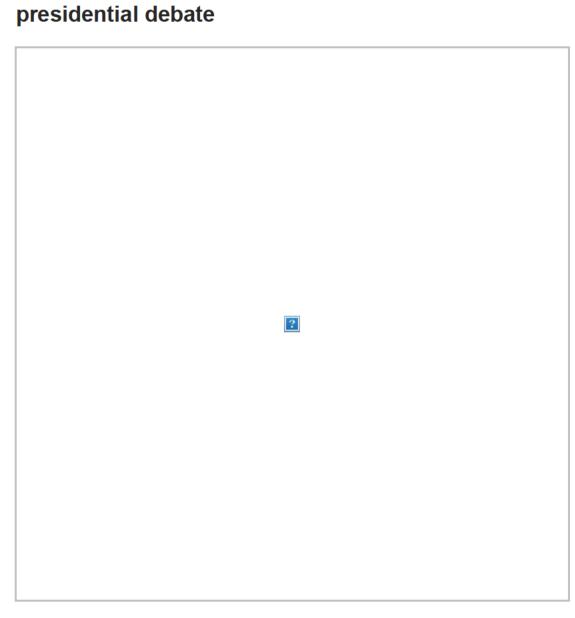
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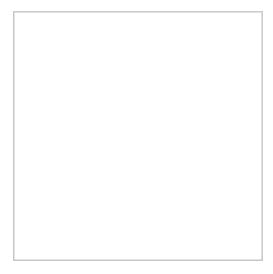
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The Supreme Court will be a focus of tonight's



Donald Trump's plane passes Hillary Clinton's plane at McCarran International Airport yesterday. The candidates have come to Las Vegas for their third and final debate. (Brendan Smialowski/AFP/Getty Images)



With Breanne Deppisch

THE BIG IDEA: The Supreme Court is one of six main topics that will be covered during tonight's final debate at the University of Nevada in Las Vegas. The late Antonin Scalia's seat continues to sit empty. An evenly-divided court has begun its new term under a cloud of uncertainty. Assuming Hillary Clinton wins, it remains unclear whether Republicans will try to confirm Merrick Garland during the lame-duck session to prevent her from putting up someone who is younger and more liberal next year.

The debate took on new significance this week when John

McCain boasted during a radio interview that Republicans would automatically oppose whomever Clinton nominates. "I promise you that we will be united against any Supreme Court nominee that Hillary Clinton, if she were president, would put up," the Arizona senator said. "I promise you!"

Attacked by his Democratic challenger, McCain's spokeswoman released a statement walking back his comment. The senator will "thoroughly examine the record of any Supreme Court nominee put

before the Senate," she said. McCain then <u>awkwardly avoided</u> a local TV reporter who tried to follow up.

Republicans, who have struggled to convince voters that they are capable of governing, talked a big game in years past about the need to be more than just "the party of no." That messaging is gone now. The prospect of four more years in the wilderness suggests that they will move back toward unapologetic obstruction.

Right now, however, they are in damage control mode. Judiciary Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley, who is up for reelection in lowa, promised yesterday to not automatically "stonewall" any Clinton pick. "If that new president happens to be Hillary, we can't just simply stonewall," Grassley said on a conference call with local press.

This is a very delicate balancing act. Vulnerable Republican incumbents are trying to convince people who are reluctantly voting for Clinton to support them by promising that they'll be a check and balance on the excesses of the Clinton presidency. One man's "check and balance," however, is another man's "obstruction." Regardless of how you play it, the bottom line is that Republicans are trying to save their majority by promising more gridlock.

If Republicans hold the Senate, Mitch McConnell will control the floor schedule and Grassley will continue to have the Judiciary gavel. So they technically could do exactly what they have for the past nine months with Garland.

Democrats are now favored to win the Senate majority. Even if they run the table, however, they'll only control around 53 seats.

That is nowhere near filibuster proof. The question then becomes: Which Republicans would cross over to vote for a President Clinton's SCOTUS picks? Could a Majority Leader Chuck Schumer cobble together 60 votes? Or does he invoke the nuclear option and change the rules to allow Supreme Court nominees to be confirmed by a simple majority? Going nuclear will probably be the easier course, both politically and procedurally, especially because the Republican blockade of Garland has cost GOP leaders much of their moral standing to oppose such a gambit.

Contrary to the will of the brilliant men who devised the Constitution, the Senate is increasingly becoming a majoritarian institution. Conservatives, who in principle should be alarmed by this trend, have shortsightedly accelerated it.

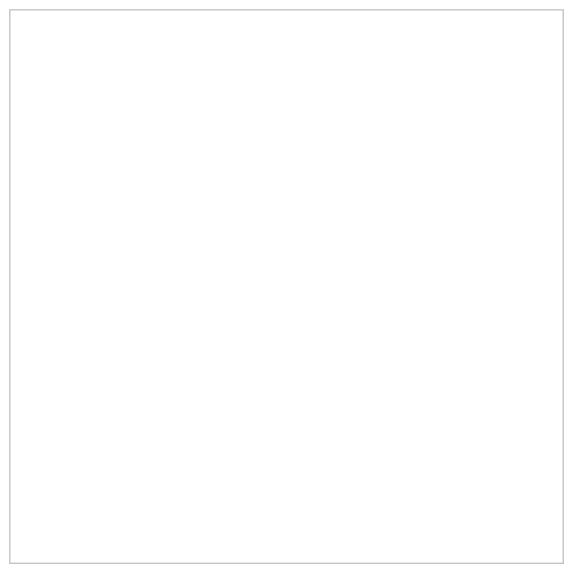


for the debate last night at UNLV. (David Goldman/AP)

-- There are two very important SCOTUS questions that the candidates have avoided giving direct answers to:

Will Clinton re-nominate Garland? Watch for her to once again dodge on this. She's called him "extremely well qualified," and she's relying heavily on Barack Obama to get her across the finish line in November. The president sees getting Garland through during the lame-duck as a top priority and a legacy achievement, but Clinton privately wants to pick someone who is younger and more liberal than the 63-year-old moderate.

Will Trump commit to nominating only people who are on his list of 21 potential picks? Aides have said the list is definitive, but the reality TV star has suggested during interviews that he might go another direction. And he has a very long history of not being true to his word. A few of the people Trump floated have chastised him. Utah Sen. Mike Lee, on the second installment of Trump's list, subsequently called on the GOP nominee to drop out. And, amusingly, federal appellate court Judge Diane Sykes (who was in the first batch of names released by Trump) ruled earlier this month against Mike Pence. She said the Indiana governor cannot interfere with the distribution of federal funds to resettle Syrian refugees in his state.



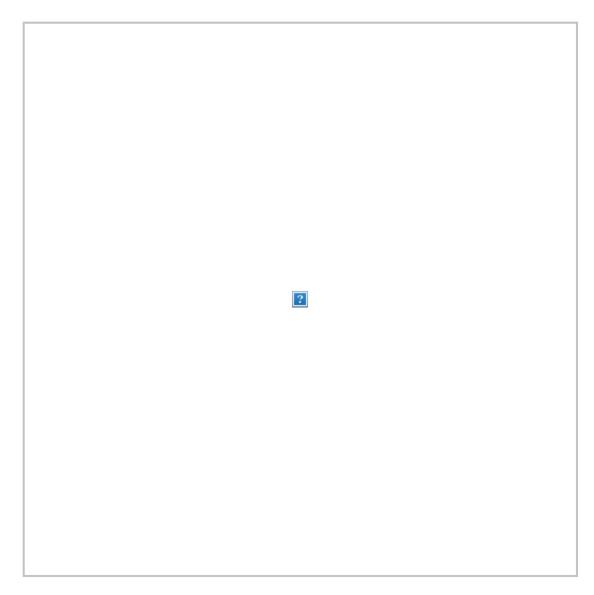
Trump speaks in Grand Junction, Colorado. (George Frey/Getty)

-- For many conservative intellectuals, stopping Clinton from appointing Scalia's replacement is no longer a good enough reason to support Trump. Among the Republican politicians who have capitulated, such as Ted Cruz, holding the Scalia seat is a favorite talking point to justify supporting someone who they privately see as dangerously authoritarian. But 29 top conservative legal scholars have signed onto a letter arguing that it is not enough. The "Originalists against Trump" do not believe Trump would protect the Constitution. And they do not trust him to actually pick from his list of

21. "More importantly, we do not trust him to respect constitutional limits in the rest of his conduct in office, of which judicial nominations are only one part," they write. The group understands that the alternative is Clinton. "Yet our country's commitment to its Constitution is not so fragile that it can be undone by a single administration or a single court," they conclude. (Read the full letter here.)

Our Robert Barnes notes that the signatories include a Northwestern law professor who was one of the founders of the Federalist Society, Steven G. Calabresi; Post columnist George F. Will; and a well-regarded conservative law professor at New York University and the University of Chicago, Richard Epstein. "The effort was organized by Duke University law professor Stephen E. Sachs and University of Chicago law professor William Baude, a pair of former clerks to Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr."

Something to ponder: Will Roberts vote for Trump? He obviously wants to regain his working majority, but he also hails from Indiana – just like Gonzalo Curiel, the federal judge whom Trump leveled repeated, racially-loaded attacks against. We'll never know...

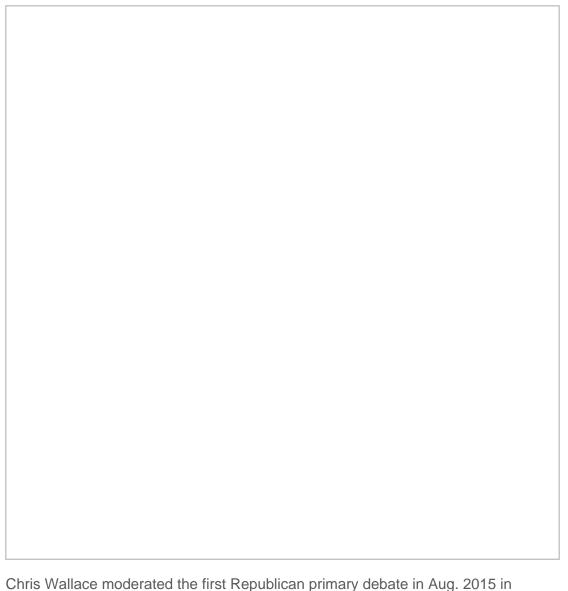


Bill greets Melania before the start of the last debate. (Paul J. Richards/AFP/Getty Images)

MORE ON WHAT TO EXPECT IN VEGAS TONIGHT:

- -- The <u>other five topics</u> that will get covered from 9 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Eastern are immigration, entitlements/debt, the economy, foreign policy and each candidate's "fitness" to serve as president.
- -- Trump's scorched-earth strategy continues. He is bringing as his guests Obama's estranged half-brother Malik and the mother

- of a Benghazi victim who has accused Clinton of "murdering" her son. It is unclear whether the campaign will reveal more surprise guests today. Clinton is bringing billionaires Mark Cuban and Meg Whitman in an effort to rattle Trump over his wealth. (Jose DelReal)
- -- Clinton spent much of this week off the trail preparing for their final showdown, a strategy which Trump mocked at a Colorado rally. He told supporters she was actually at home resting instead. "You know what the debate prep is? It's resting. It's lying down, going to sleep," he said. (Jenna Johnson)
- -- The Clinton campaign has requested that Bill and Melania do not shake hands before tonight's debate. Last time, Trump planned to parade three women who accused Clinton of sexual assault into the family seating area and force the former president to shake their hands as he crossed the room. (Jeremy Peters and Maggie Haberman, The New York Times)



Chris Wallace moderated the first Republican primary debate in Aug. 2015 in Cleveland. (Aaron Josefczyk/Reuters)

-- "Chris Wallace's Debate Role Is a Bright Spot in a Dark Year for Fox," by the New York Times's Michael Grynbaum: Chris is the first Fox journalist to take charge of a general election face-off. "It would be the most consequential night of Fox News's year — if the network had not just endured the most traumatic period in its two-decade history. [For] the team of Fox anchors and producers (in Vegas) this week, Mr. Wallace's star turn is a welcome source of pride. And, maybe, some relief. The selection of Mr. Wallace, a veteran broadcaster with a reputation for tough, mischief-making

questions, was particularly bolstering for Fox's news division, which has viewed itself as an unfairly maligned alternative to the network's stable of conservative commentators like Mr. Hannity and Bill O'Reilly."

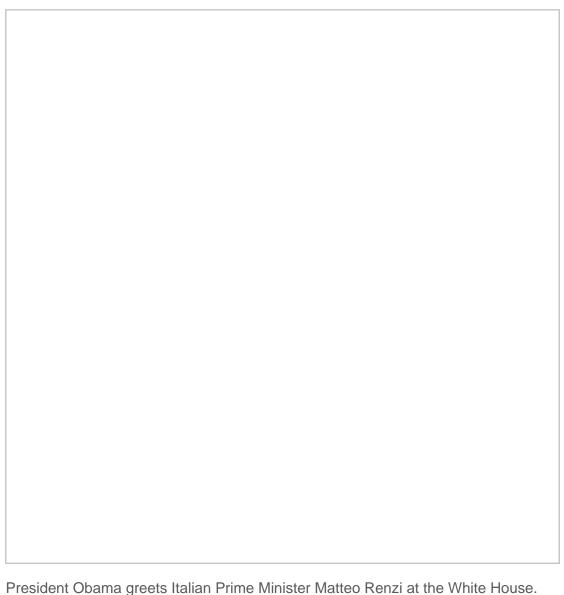
- -- Politico's Glenn Thrush preemptively declares that "Clinton will be on the defensive": "Trump's fitness to lead has, rightly, been the major focus of his conventionally lousy first debate and the national disgrace of his second one. But here's some good news for him! Trump has done such a masterful job of handing Clinton the election that the inevitable focus now is on her! America wants, demands, that final kick-the-tires test, as Barack Obama said of the process and significant questions remain about her honesty, integrity, judgment and trustworthiness. ... Beatings, like bossa novas, have a predictable rhythm. Trump's beating (however deserved or self-inflicted) has gone on for too long in terms of the cyclical attention span of modern media, and it's simply Hillary's turn."
- -- Trump's odds of turning around his campaign tonight are steep, the Boston Globe's Matt Viser posits: "Clinton arrives in Las Vegas for the final debate like a poker player holding a full house, confident and careful. Trump is furiously raising his bet, acting as if he's holding a hot hand, when polls say all he's got is a pair of jacks."
- -- Republicans are praying that Trump does not once again take
 Clinton's bait, per the Wall Street Journal's Michael Bender and
 Laura Meckler: "Democrats want Clinton to articulate a positive
 vision for the country, rising above the allegations of sexual
 misconduct and dishonesty that have permeated this election year. ...

Republicans say Trump needs to focus on his popular antiestablishment message and avoid placing any more attention on controversies over his treatment of women or rifts with fellow Republicans. 'For once he needs to make this a race that's not just about him,' said GOP consultant and former Romney adviser Kevin Madden. 'Clinton wants this race to be a referendum on Trump and his lack of temperament, and every time she lays the bait he never disappoints in taking it."

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WHILE YOU WERE SLEEPING:



President Obama greets Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi at the White House. (EPA/Michael Reynolds)

-- President Obama hosted his final state dinner, honoring Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi and his wife at a celebratory -- yet nostalgic -- reception. "If there was a collective emotion that defined the night it'd be a mix of joy and pain," Helena Andrews-Dyer and Emily Heil wrote. "Everyone involved in the Obamas' last black tie gala felt it. From guest chef Mario Batali, who said that knowing this dinner is the last adds its own brand of pride and pressure, to the president himself, who called the swanky swan song 'a bittersweet moment.' Held in a tent on the South Lawn dripping with chandeliers

and dotted with mirrored tables to conjure up the Italian 'fresco' technique, the evening featured a stroll through the first lady's kitchen garden ... a four-course meal prepared by Batali and a performance by Gwen Stefani ... But despite the night's obvious symbolism as a denouement the dinner's guests probably took the opening lines of the president's traditional toast to heart: 'In the immortal words of a great Italian American, Yogi Berra, 'It ain't over 'till it's over.'"

The Obamas rewarded many of their most loyal staffers with seats at the dinner. Among the 380 guests were the first lady's hair stylist, makeup artist, and personal trainer...

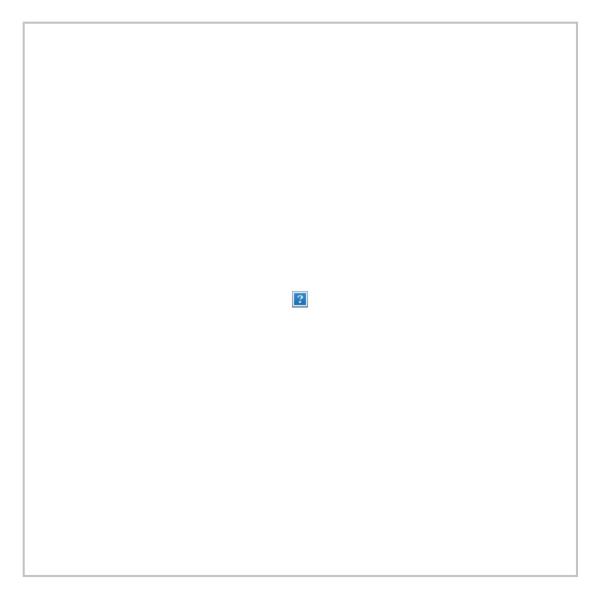
FLOTUS wore a custom rose-gold chain-mail gown from Atelier Versace. It was a slinky gown with an asymmetrical neckline that slithered like liquid metal down her torso and around her hips. "It was pure Hollywood glamour," writes Fashion Critic Robin Givhan.



-- Ecuador acknowledged that it "temporarily restricted" the Internet access of WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange at its United Kingdom embassy after WikiLeaks posted John Podesta's emails. A foreign ministry statement said that while it stands by its decision in 2012 to grant Assange asylum, it doesn't interfere in foreign elections. The ministry didn't specify the extent of the restrictions on Assange's cyber access, saying only that the limitations wouldn't affect WikiLeaks's ability to carry out its journalistic activities. Do not forget: Assange is hiding out in the

embassy to avoid facing trial for alleged sexual assault. (Nick Miroff)

- -- Marco Rubio urged Trump and the RNC to stop attacking Clinton over hacked emails published by Wikileaks: "As our intelligence agencies have said, these leaks are an effort by a foreign government to interfere with our electoral process and I will not indulge it," Rubio told ABC News's Jon Karl in an interview. "Further, I want to warn my fellow Republicans who may want to capitalize politically on these leaks: Today it is the Democrats. Tomorrow it could be us."
- -- Speaking of insecure email servers, Trump lives in a glass house. From Mother Jones' Joseph Cox: "A researcher has found that a number of email servers linked to [Trump's] hotel and others businesses are running horribly out of date software which receive no security patches, and are lacking other precautions for keeping hackers out." A number of mail servers for TrumpOrg.com, a domain registered to The Trump Organization, are using end-of-life software, including the operating system Windows Server 2003 and IIS 6.0. "Running outdated software and operating systems for your publicly facing email infrastructure is problematic, especially when you're a high profile organisation," said security architect Kevin Beaumont. "During an election where cybersecurity is such a big issue, I was a little amazed at what I saw."



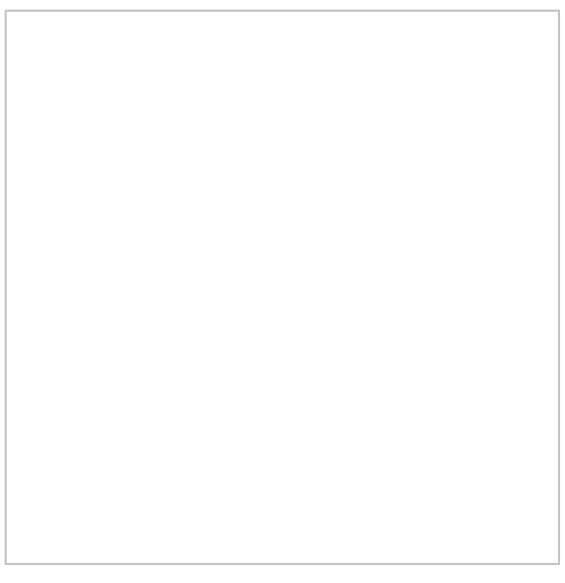
Filipino villagers gather as they prepare for a super typhoon that may hit their village. (EPA)

GET SMART FAST:

 A dangerous super typhoon is spinning like a table saw towards the Philippines, barreling down with Category-5 level winds of 160 mph. Local emergency managers are warning storm surge could exceed 15 feet when it makes landfall. The storm's arrival comes just days after another typhoon struck the country, killing at least two people. (Angela Fritz)

- A former Arkansas judge has been arrested and accused of giving lenient sentences to male defendants in exchange for sexual favors – soliciting at least nine men between the ages of 16 and 22 for what he referred to as "community service." (Kristine Guerra)
- 3. A magistrate judge delivered a victory to a transgender high school student in Illinois, allowing her to continue to use a bathroom and locker room corresponding with her gender identity. (Derek Hawkins)
- 4. More police officers have been killed in the line of duty so far this year than all of last year combined. But federal statistics also show that being a law enforcement officer has continually gotten safer over the last four decades. Since the 1970s, the death toll for cops decreased by more than half. (Mark Berman)
- Warring parties in Yemen agreed to a 72-hour ceasefire. The U.N. hopes the temporary truce will lead to a "permanent and lasting end" to the conflict. (AP)
- 6. A new lawsuit accuses public schools in Flint, Mich., of failing to meet obligations to screen children for lead exposure. The complaint alleges that the city's public school system has also failed to provide critical services and interventions to counter the effects of lead exposure. (Emma Brown)
- 7. The University of Maryland agreed to hire more staff to address sexual assault on campus, after reports that a faculty shortage was slowing down open investigations. Student government leaders proposed a student fee to help fund the office. (Susan Svrluga)

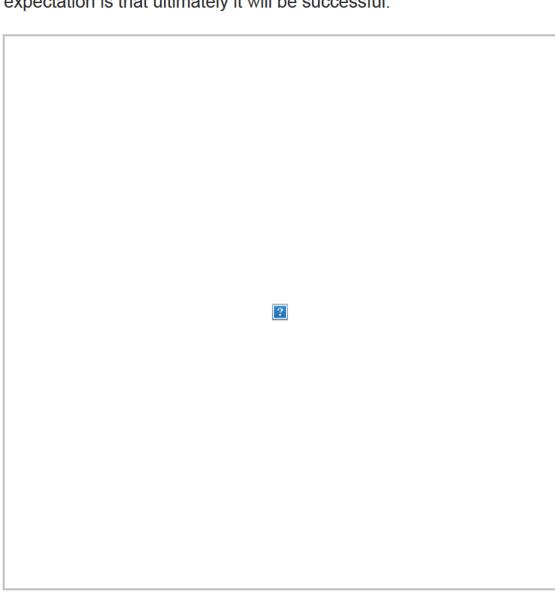
- 8. Samsung is setting up pop-up phone exchange booths at airports across the country, allowing busy travelers to trade in Galaxy 7 smartphones that were recently banned from all U.S. flights. But it's unclear what devices the kiosks will offer in replacement and, as Hayley Tsukayama notes, a crowded airport is probably not the ideal place to make such a major purchase.
- 9. The Transylvania castle that inspired the "Dracula" novels will be open to two brave souls on Halloween night, thanks to an Airbnb contest. Winners will spend the night in the 14th century digs, eating by candlelight and sleeping in velvet-lined coffins. (Cleve R. Wootson Jr.)



Members of the Iraqi Special Operations Forces outside Mosul today. (Azad Lashkari/Reuters)

-- A dispatch from the front lines --> "Evidence of a 'difficult fight' ahead as forces move toward ISIS-held Mosul," by Kareem Fahim and Loveday Morris: "To defend a few miles of unremarkable road in northern Iraq, flanked by farmland, the occasional factory and flyspeck hamlets and villages, the Islamic State militants seemed to spare no effort. They loaded a Volkswagen with explosives and secreted remote-detonated bombs ... They burned tires and dug large tunnels in houses ... The arsenal ultimately failed to protect the militants. But it seemed to slow down the action, tying up a large

contingent of Iraqi soldiers as they tried to clear the road and villages of booby traps, a few wearying feet at a time. There were still 12 grueling miles left to travel before reaching the city's outskirts. The struggle for Mosul ... is the largest and most complex so far in the battle against [ISIS] militants, who have been digging in for a fight. Residents who have recently fled the area ... say the Islamic State has been erecting concrete barricades and filling trenches with oil that can be set on fire to slow advancing forces. 'It's going to be a tough fight and a difficult fight,' Obama said on Tuesday. 'But my expectation is that ultimately it will be successful.'"



Makia Nunes, moments after she became a U.S. citizen yesterday, kisses a cardboard cutout of Hillary. She registered to vote immediately after her Naturalization Ceremony in Los Angeles. (Frederic J. Brown/AFP/Getty Images)

THE RACE CONTINUES TO MOVE AWAY FROM TRUMP:

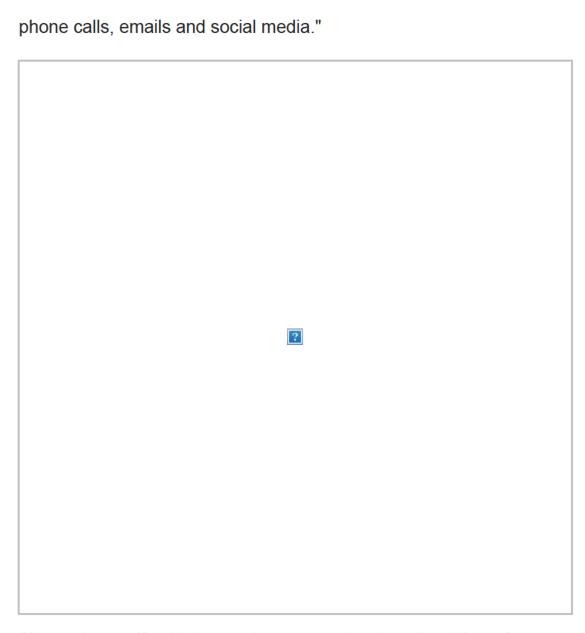
- -- The chairman of a pro-Trump super PAC, Ed Rollins, told Laura Ingraham that it "would take a miracle at this point" for Trump to win.
- -- Pre-spinning the loss, Trump campaign manager Kellyanne
 Conway says she cannot believe Clinton is not winning by a
 bigger margin given her numerous built-in advantages: "She has
 endless money. She's got a lot of the media. She has a very popular
 president and first lady campaigning for her," Conway told Anderson
 Cooper. "I will tell you, I am mystified as to why she can't get to those
 52, 53 percent numbers in some of these states given the
 disadvantages we're handed every day."
- -- Las Vegas bookies now have Clinton as a six-to-one favorite.
- -- A Washington Post/Survey Monkey poll of 15 battleground states gives Clinton a "decisive advantage" over Trump in the competition for Electoral College votes. From Dan Balz and Scott Clement: "Based on the results ... along with assumptions of the likely outcomes in other states that have consistently voted for one party or the other, [Clinton] holds leads of four percentage points or more among likely voters in states that add up to 304 electoral votes. Trump, [meanwhile], has the advantage in states with an estimated electoral vote total of 138. Arizona, Florida, Ohio and Texas, which account for 96 electoral votes, remain as toss-ups."

Down-ballot Republicans continue to outperform Trump in our survey: "Democrats need a net gain of five seats to take outright control -- four to exercise control if Clinton becomes president. The results showed Democrats with leads of four or more points in three states with GOP incumbents: New Hampshire, North Carolina and Wisconsin. Republican incumbents lead in Florida and Ohio, in the latter by a wide margin. Meanwhile, races in Nevada, for a seat currently held by Democrats, and Pennsylvania, for a seat now in Republican hands, continue to be close."

- -- A <u>Bloomberg Politics poll</u> shows Clinton with a 9 point national lead (50-41). The two tied last month. Trump is losing support among both men and those without college degrees. "This poll shows movement toward Clinton with all the right groups it takes to win," said pollster J. Ann Selzer. "Their alignment with Clinton is a formidable change in the algebra."
- -- An Arizona Republic/Arizona State University poll shows
 Clinton AHEAD in ARIZONA by 5 points. Waning support for the
 Republican nominee does not appear to have shifted down-ballot,
 however, with McCain leading by 11 points over Democratic
 challenger Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick. Support for the presidential
 candidates also appears to be somewhat baked into the cake,
 with two-thirds of voters saying they were not influenced by the
 previous two debates. Of respondents who indicated the debate
 was influential, 16 percent said they were more likely to back Clinton.
 9 percent said the same of Trump.
- -- The <u>University of Houston</u> finds Trump is only ahead by 3 points in Texas (41-38).

- -- St. Norbert College shows Clinton leading by 8 points in Wisconsin (47-39).
- -- Monmouth University puts Clinton up 7 points in Nevada (47-40). Her surge in the state is largely attributed to younger, non-white voters moving into her column over the past month.
- -- A Fox News national poll shows Clinton up 6 points (45-39).
- -- The Japanese newspaper Asahi Shimbun conducted a poll asking which candidate people thought would be more appropriate as the U.S. president. They found that only 3 percent of Japanese picked Trump, while 73 percent preferred Clinton.

 The rest had no opinion. The wording is non-traditional, but WaPo pollster Scott Clement checked out the paper's methodology and says it is legit. This will not surprise close poll watchers. Previous international surveys have found Trump to be exceptionally unpopular.
- -- Fear of an imminent terrorist attack is one of the top concerns of people across the globe, with most expecting extremist groups will acquire weapons of mass destruction, according to a new poll conducted in eight countries. From Carol Morello: "The survey, commissioned by the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), showed that many people think their governments are not doing enough to combat violent extremism. And a majority in every country polled, including the United States, overwhelmingly approved all 21 options presented to them among them, requiring identification cards for citizens and visitors; rigorous screening of immigrants; bans on incendiary religious speech; and monitoring of



Clinton takes a selfie with the crowd at a voter registration rally at Wayne State University in Detroit. (Reuters/Lucy Nicholson)

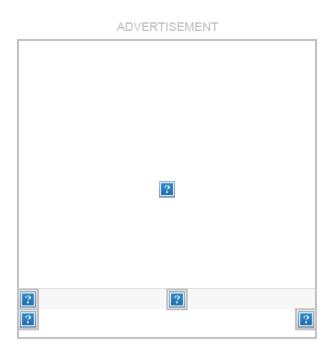
THE DAILY HILLARY:

-- Former FBI agent Brian McCauley pushed back on allegations of a "quid pro quo." He confirmed that he spoke to a top State Department official about changing the classified status of one of Clinton's emails, as well as a long-standing FBI request for additional staffing in U.S. embassies, but he denied that any

Zapotosky, McCauley acknowledged that he offered to do a favor in exchange for another favor, but before he had any inkling of what Kennedy wanted. "I said, 'Absolutely not, I can't help you,' and he took that, and it was fine," said McCauley, who was the FBI's deputy assistant director for international operations from 2012 to 2015. McCauley said that when he learned the missive concerned the attack on the U.S. diplomatic facility in Benghazi, Libya, he told Kennedy he could not help him. "I said, 'Absolutely not, I can't help you,' and he took that, and it was fine," said McCauley, who was the FBI's deputy assistant director for international operations from 2012 to 2015.

- -- "Black activists and organizers, frustrated with the Clinton campaign's inability to engage young voters, have taken it upon themselves to challenge their peers to consider the consequences if Republicans take the White House," Vanessa Williams reports. "They also have encouraged young voters to focus on state and local elections, because those officials make decisions about how police departments and schools are run, issues that more directly affect their lives. Younger African Americans, like many millennials, are not excited about this year's presidential election ... [but] because Trump's campaign has laid bare racist attitudes, the seeming indifference of black millennials to the election has sparked broad discussion within the African American community."
- -- Seventy Nobel Laureates endorsed Clinton, arguing that her election is "crucial for safeguarding freedom and preserving a constitutional government." Signatories include world-renowned

experts in science, medicine and economics, such as chemist Peter Agre, economist Robert Shiller, and physicist Robert Woodrow Wilson. Separately, a group of 140 conservative writers urged voters to reject Trump, calling him "most dangerous to our nation's founding ideals" in an open letter. Several former Republican White House staffers are on the list. (New York Times)





-- An early draft of Clinton's V.P. list: John Podesta in mid-March emailed Clinton a preliminary list of names to consider for her running mate, organized into what he termed "rough food groups." WikiLeaks posted it yesterday, and the Journal wrote it up:

The first group included her **Latino options**, including Secretary of Labor Tom Perez and Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Julián Castro.

The second consisted of **black candidates**, including Cory Booker and Eric Holder.

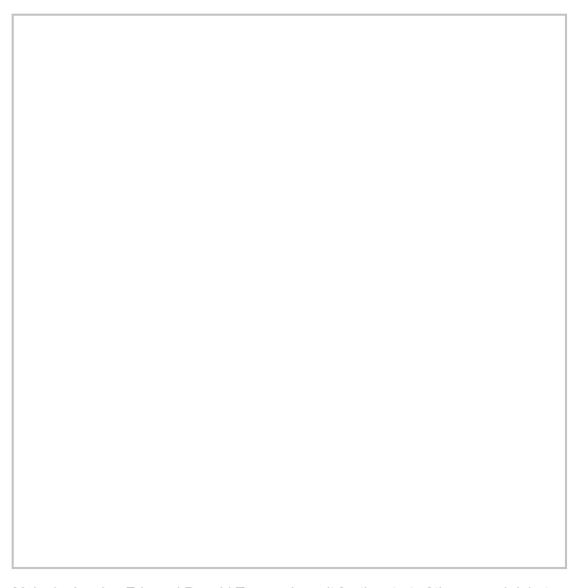
The third was **white men who could help in a swing state**, including Tim Kaine, Terry McAuliffe and Sherrod Brown.

Another section included **seven women**, including Elizabeth Warren and Jeanne Shaheen.

He also suggested **three military names**, including retired Marine Corps Gen. John Allen.

Podesta also floated **corporate options**, including Bill Gates,
Starbucks CEO Howard Schultz, Michael Bloomberg; Apple CEO Tim
Cook and Coca-Cola Co. CEO Muhtar Kent.

The final category had just one name: **Bernie Sanders**.



Melania, Ivanka, Eric and Donald Trump, Jr. wait for the start of the second debate St. Louis. (John Locher/AP)

THE DAILY DONALD:

-- People Magazine published six stories from friends and colleagues of Trump accuser Natasha Stoynoff, corroborating her accusation that the Republican nominee forced himself on her in 2005. Two people who went on the record are now People editors - deputy East Coast editor Mary Green and East Coast editor Liz McNeil. Another is Stoynoff's former journalism professor, who says she called him looking for advice immediately afterwards. And

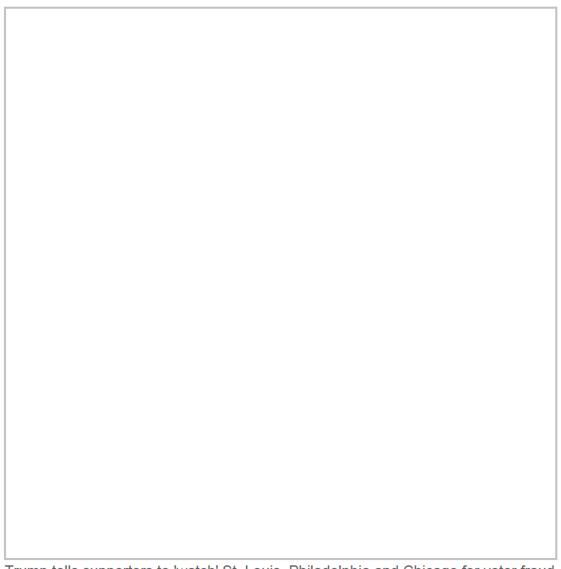
yet another friend went on the record to back her claims that she ran into Melania Trump on Fifth Avenue after the assault. The report comes as both Donald and Melania have denied the story and threatened legal action.

- -- Video surfaced yesterday of Trump attacking Condi Rice in 2006: "I wish she was a b**ch," he said. "I don't care if she's a lovely woman. I want somebody that can go and make deals. She goes to countries, nothing ever happens. Except sound bytes." When asked if she had any response to the New York Daily News report on Trump's remarks, the former secretary of state emailed CNN: "Can't wait until November 9!"
- -- Trump's alleged misconduct has started a national conversation about sexual assault. From Katie Zezima: "The debate has been particularly painful for many victims of sexual assault, who now must endure nonstop coverage of allegations of groping and kissing without consent — along with backlash against the women who made the claims about Trump. But in the 2016 presidential election, the issue has become sharply divided along partisan lines, including claims by some Trump allies that the behavior described by Trump's accusers ... might not be considered assault. The resistance against the accusers is particularly awkward for the Trump campaign, which simultaneously argues that women who accused Bill Clinton of wrongdoing years ago should be believed." GOP strategist Ashley O'Connor said that Trump is essentially saying, "You need to believe the people who have come forward and accused [Bill]. You need to believe that [Hillary] was attacking these women. But don't believe the women who have come

forward against me."

- -- Melania is taking a page from the old Hillary playbook: "Until now, Melania Trump has declined to fulfill the mundane tasks of political wives, saying her duties to her young son are more important than the demand that a spouse go along for the ride to 'humanize' a candidate," Karen Tumulty writes. "Now, however, she has found herself in a time-honored duty for a political wife when a sex scandal hits cleanup. [But] even as she defends her husband, [Melania] is willing to go only so far: In a moment where the script would appear to call for her to share a little more about 'the man I know,' she offered no personal glimpses of their lives. There was nothing more revealing than what one might hear in a campaign ad outside, perhaps, her observation that she feels like she is living with two boys, not one."
- -- Ivanka addressed her father's lewd 2005 remarks for the first time, telling Fast Company that his conversation with Billy Bush was "clearly inappropriate and offensive." "I'm glad that he acknowledged this fact with an immediate apology to my family and the American people," she added in a statement.
- -- Donald Jr. has made a series of offensive statements during interviews with shock-jock radio hosts. CNN's Andrew Kaczynski unearthed a trove of controversial remarks from the candidate's son:
 - He joked about the Aurora movie theater shooting on the same day 12 people were killed: After footage was played from a witness recounting the tragedy, Trump Jr. quipped that the survivor will still give the film "two thumbs up."

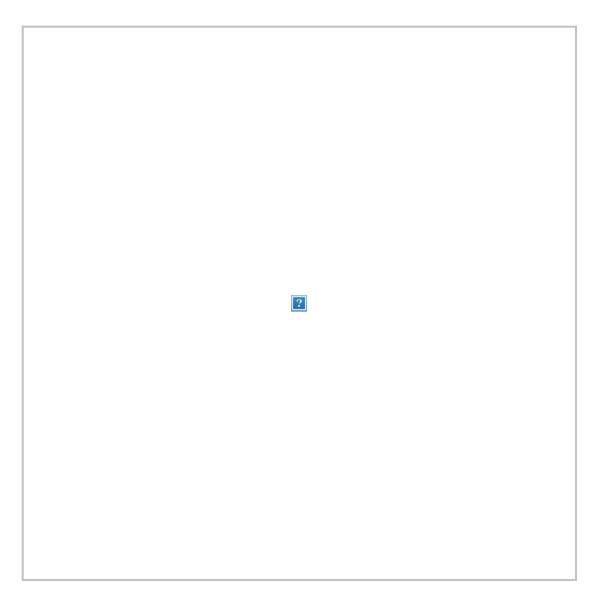
- He joked about child abuse at beauty pageants: "They yell at the kids like, yeah 'You didn't do good, you forgot to turn! You forgot your turn!" a host said, depicting the role of a stage parent. "The kids, they're crying," Trump Jr. said. "I just wanna play with Barbie." "She beats me when you're not here," said the host. "She's like limping," added Trump Jr., mocking a child's voice. "'Help me, help me." Trump Jr. added of the moms at beauty pageants, "They're all fat. Ugly."
- On not being able to mock overweight people: "By the way
 you can't ... even make fat jokes now ... that's almost the worst
 one," he said. "It's easier to, like, do a racial thing, than it is a fat
 one because everyone knows they're fat and they get really
 offended."



Trump tells supporters to 'watch' St. Louis, Philadelphia and Chicago for voter fraud

-- Doubling down on his rigged election rhetoric, Trump yesterday provided his supporters with a list of three cities where they should watch for corruption on Election Day. "Take a look at St. Louis. Take a look at Philadelphia. Take a look at Chicago," Trump said in Colorado. "Look, look, if nothing else, people are going to be watching on November 8. Watch Philadelphia. Watch St. Louis. Watch Chicago, watch Chicago. Watch so many other places." (Two of those cities are in states that are not considered competitive, Jenna Johnson notes.)

- -- Local election officials are panicking that Trump's reckless rhetoric will lead his supporters to bring guns to polling places, but they're mostly powerless to do anything about it: "The Prince William County (Virginia) electoral board ... considered seeking a one-day ban on weapons at polling places located on private property but was rebuked by a gun-friendly state legislator." Patricia Sullivan reports. "Del. Robert G. Marshall (R-Prince William) sent a letter to the board pointing out that it has no power to ban guns from polling places except for schools and courthouses, where weapons are prohibited by state law. ... Virginia's election officials have been discussing on their private email list the possibility of intimidation or violence Nov. 8 and talking about what to do about unruly observers. ... Seventy of Prince William's 91 polling places are in schools, with the remaining 21 in churches, fire halls and community centers. Firearms are allowed in county government buildings, such as fire stations, libraries and community centers."
- -- Trump called for a Constitutional amendment to put in place congressional term limits, but he provided no details about the details. (Jenna Johnson)



Supporters of Nicolas Maduro display a giant inflatable dummy depicting late President Hugo Chavez in Caracas. (Juan Barreto/Getty)

-- Venezuelan journalist and political scientist Francisco Toro argues that Trump really is much more like Nicolás Maduro than Hugo Chavez: "Again and again, since taking over in 2013, Maduro has run roughshod over the constitution in ways Chávez never dared to ... [and] for Venezuelans, the past year has been an object lesson in how dangerous this approach can be. Last week, we followed this crazy dynamic off the deep end, when the court overturned 800 years of constitutional practice, dating back to the original Magna Carta, ruling that when the constitution says the legislative branch has to

vote on the national budget, it means the president can just approve budgets on his own. ... Having your democracy commit suicide under the lure of a charismatic demagogue is not the kind of experience you can fully make sense of unless you've lived it in your own skin. Before 2016, no explanation I could give my American friends was enough. Now, my American friends can just turn on CNN and watch it happening live."

THE BATTLEGROUNDS:

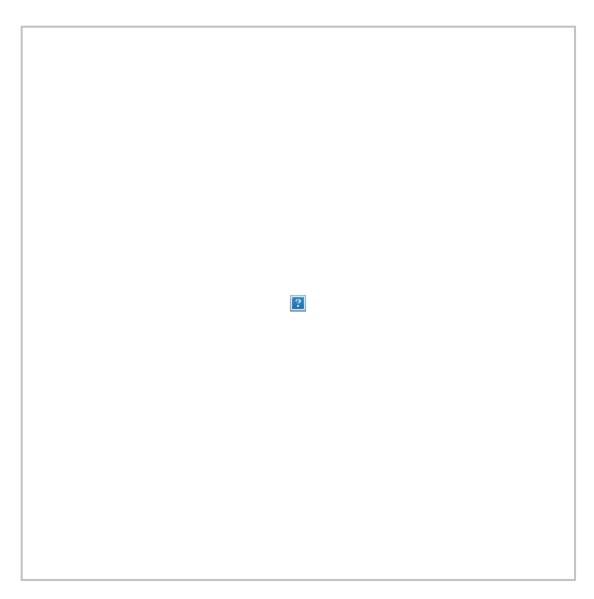
- -- A civil rights group filed a federal lawsuit to force Virginia to extend its voter registration period, after the state's online system crashed on Monday. The technological glitch prohibited registration from an unknown number of participants. Some have estimated the number to be in the "tens of thousands." (Laura Vozzella)
- -- Pro-Clinton super PAC Priorities USA announced it will begin airing ads in two Senate races and will start airing television and radio ads in Georgia to boost Clinton. "New ads will support Gov. Maggie Hassan in the New Hampshire Senate race against Republican Sen. Kelly Ayotte and Katie McGinty in the Pennsylvania Senate race against Sen. Patrick J. Toomey," Abby Phillip writes. "The super PAC also plans a new seven-figure television ad buy in Georgia in addition to new radio ads targeted at African American voters. The state has not been won by the Democratic presidential nominee since 1992."
- -- DNC officials issued an apology after one of its campaign buses was recorded illegally dumping sewage into a Georgia

storm drain, calling the leak an "honest" but "unacceptable" mistake. The driver of the bus – adorned with larger-than-life faces of Clinton and Kaine – said the vehicle's sewage tank was full and leaking out. A guy in an auto parts repair store spotted him and record it. (Katie Mettler)

- -- The race for Rep. Barbara Comstock's House seat in Northern Virginia has tightened. From Jenna Portnoy: The Cook Political Report is moving the race up to toss-up, while the Rothenberg & Gonzales Political Report already considers it a toss-up district, tilting to the Republican. "Experts consider the district among the most competitive in the nation despite lackluster fundraising numbers from Democratic challenger LuAnn Bennett and evidence [Trump] might not be the anchor on down-ballot candidates some had expected," Portnoy writes. The two will face off this morning for the final debate of the campaign.
- Bloc: White Catholics," by the New York Times's Jason Horowitz in Philly: "Since the election of Ronald Reagan, white Roman Catholics have flocked to Republican nominees for a raft of reasons, including their stances on social issues like abortion and same-sex marriage. But this year, something seems different. 'Trump is the exception to the rule,' said 67-year-old Carol Robinson, leaving an afternoon prayer meeting in Philadelphia. 'He's a loose cannon.' Roman Catholics are the country's second-largest religious group after evangelical Protestants, and they are as diverse as the country itself, with young liberals, cultural conservatives and, increasingly, Democratic-leaning Hispanics."

One quiet influencer could be Pope Francis, wh emphasizes inclusion and the welfare of the poor over divisive issues like abortion and homosexuality. In February, he suggested Trump "is not a Christian."

-- Harry Reid reflects on when Trump used to be one of his donors in an interview with Paul Kane: "Reid found a priceless piece of memorabilia recently while sorting through 34 years of congressional papers. It's a picture of Reid with [Trump], inside the real-estate developer's Manhattan home, both men smiling. He's pretty sure it's from 1992, when [he] was running his first Senate reelection bid and when [Trump] was happy to help Democrats. Reid appreciated Trump's generosity. 'He wasn't much of a big shot then, neither was I,' Reid recalled ... Over the years when Trump was a reliable donor to Senate Democrats, Reid saw no signs of a future Republican presidential candidate who he would later eviscerate as a 'racist' and a 'human leech.' Now, heading into political twilight, the former boxer is clearly relishing what is essentially his last campaign through attacks on Trump ... 'I'm kind of an unusual politician,' he said."



Libertarian Lucy Brenton, Democrat Evan Bayh and Republican Todd Young debate in Indianapolis last night. (AP Photo/Michael Conroy, Pool)

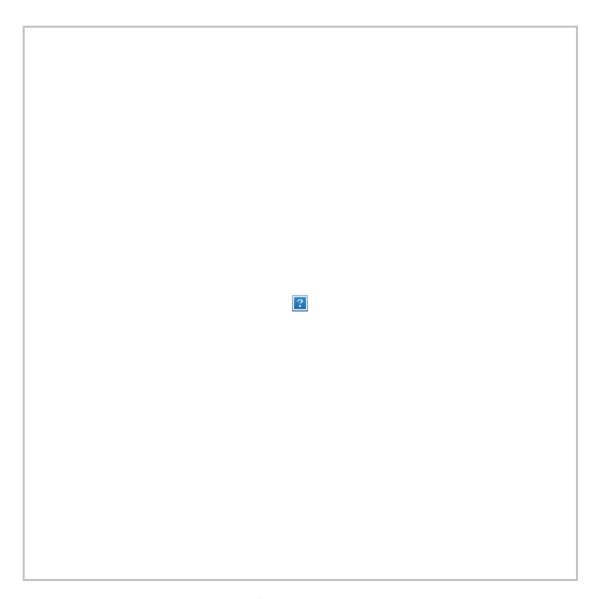
SENATE DEBATES:

-- "Indiana's Senate race got personal Tuesday," the Indianapolis Star's Maureen Groppe and James Briggs write.

"After weeks of attacking each other in campaign commercials, former Sen. Evan Bayh and GOP Rep. Todd Young directly accused each other of not representing Hoosiers' interests in their [sole debate] ... Young repeatedly charged Bayh, a Democrat, with following the orders of Washington insiders and looking out for

himself. 'Evan Bayh took the money and ran,' Young said after criticizing Bayh's vote for the Affordable Care Act. 'He joined a major lobbying firm in Washington, D.C., and he represented clients that needed relief from the very problem he created from Obamacare.' Bayh said Young has voted against the needs of veterans, seniors and workers who are losing their jobs to overseas competition. And he accused Young of lying about his record. 'Congressman Young has told so many whoppers here tonight, it's hard to keep track," Bayh said.

-- The final debate between Sen. Ron Johnson and Democrat Russ Feingold also turned personal, the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel's Bill Glauber reports: "Skirmishing over campaign finance, national security, the economy and the presidential candidates, the men engaged in a feisty 90-minute clash ... With polls showing a tight race, there was little room for error as the candidates sought to shore up their base support while reaching out to the small number of undecided voters. In a sense, the debate was six years in the making as the two men entered the closing stretch of their rematch race. Throughout the debate, Feingold claimed that Johnson 'didn't have a plan' on issues. Johnson fired back, 'Senator Feingold' is always going to have a plan to grow government." "I will stand with the people of this state," Feingold said. "Senator Johnson stands with the corporations, the billionaires and the multi-millionaires." In rebuttal, Johnson said he "understands what it's like to work": "I'm the working man," he said. "I've worked hard all my life."



A pan handler sits with a "Give me \$1 or I'm voting for Trump" sign in Manhattan. (Carlo Allegri)

IT'S SILLY SEASON:

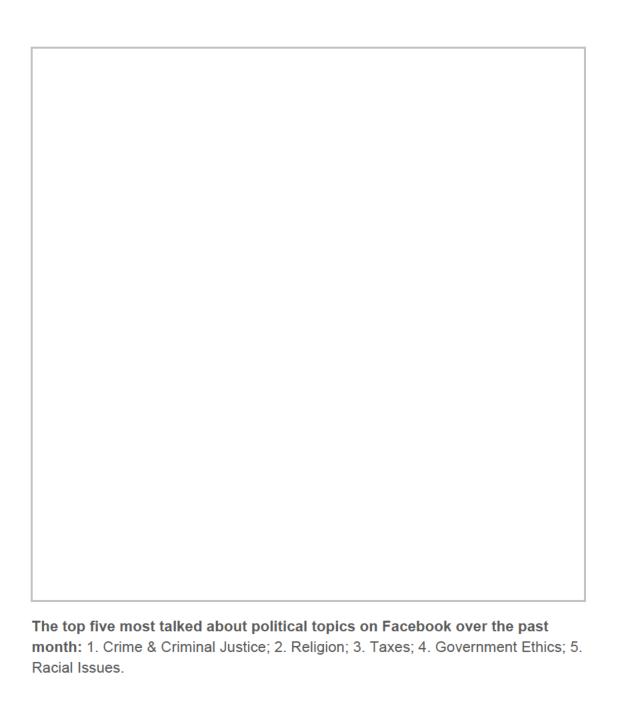
-- A Wisconsin woman was arrested after she spread peanut butter on 30 cars that she believed belonged to Trump supporters. But it turns out the cars actually belonged to members of a local conservation club! "Witnesses said 32-year-old Christina Ferguson stormed into the club meeting on Monday night, holding what a Portage County deputy's report described as a 'family-size jar of low-sodium, creamy natural Jif," HuffPost reports. "Officers

said Ferguson grew emotional as she explained how much she loved Clinton and hated Trump. She then explained why she'd misused peanut butter. 'Peanut butter is better than fire-bombing,' the officer quoted her as saying. She added that Trump wants to fire-bomb everybody in other countries."

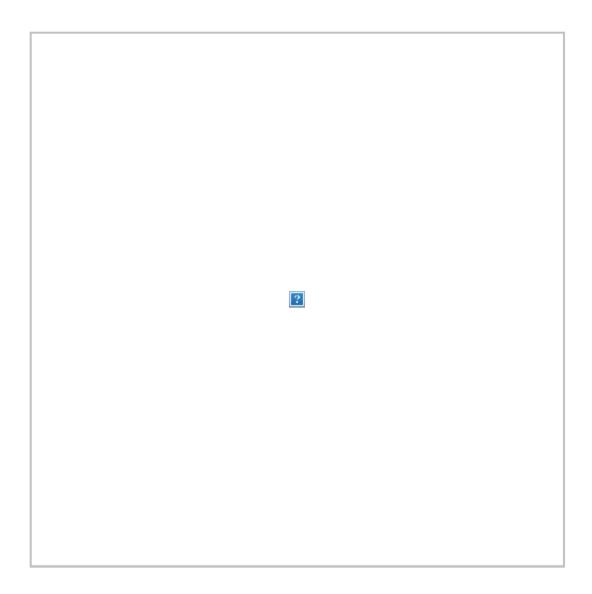
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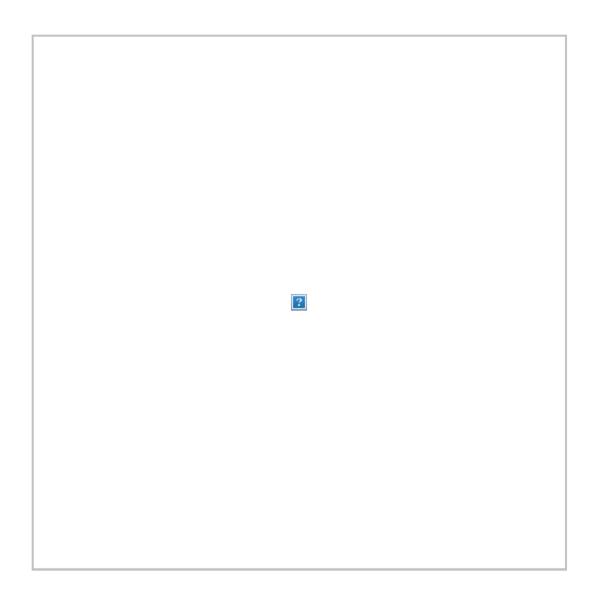
Over 62 million people on Facebook in the U.S. posted about, shared, liked or commented on content related to Trump over 931 million times in the last month. The chart below shows the unique number of people on Facebook engaging in the conversation about each candidate – as well as the number of interactions those people generated. Interactions represents the total aggregate number of likes, posts, comments and shares made about a particular candidate within the timeframe. The interactions figure includes not only the activity on the candidate's page, but all of the likes, posts, comments and shares about that candidate from throughout Facebook:



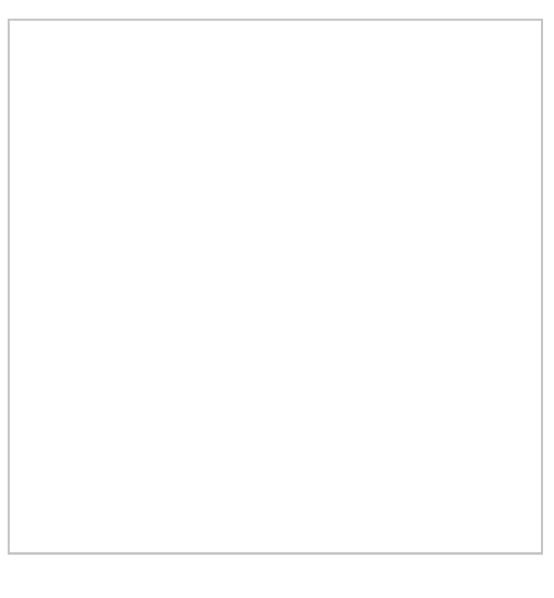
The Onion is on the lookout for late-breaking Trump news:



Coming soon to a Las Vegas billboard:

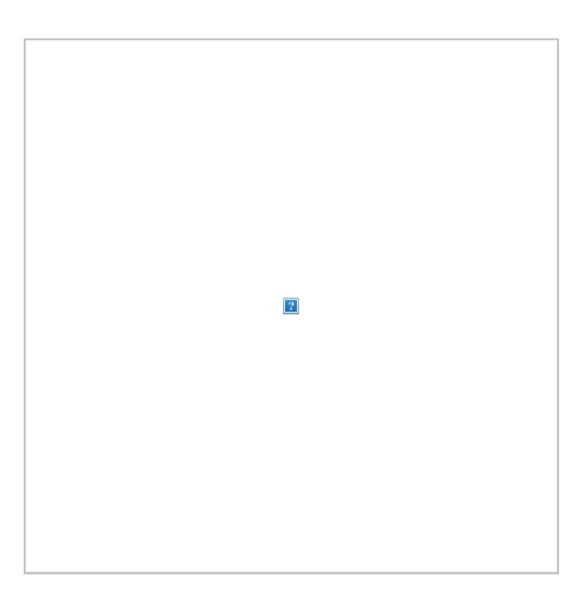


Fox's Sean Hannity and CNN's Brian Stelter went back-and-forth on the issue of voter fraud:

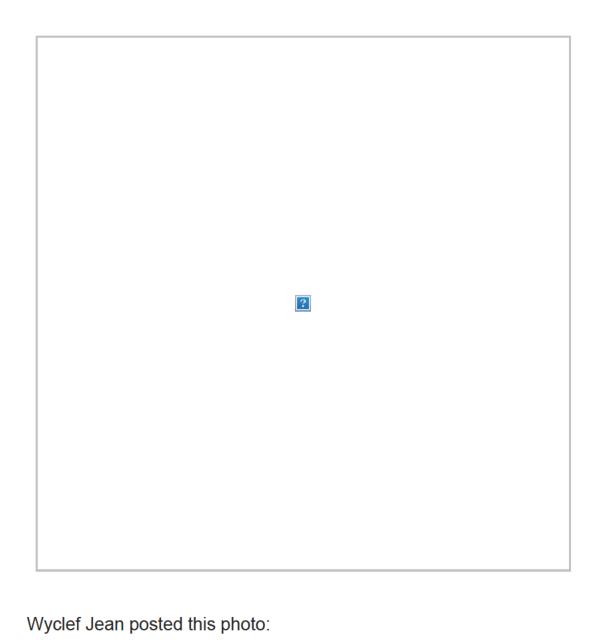


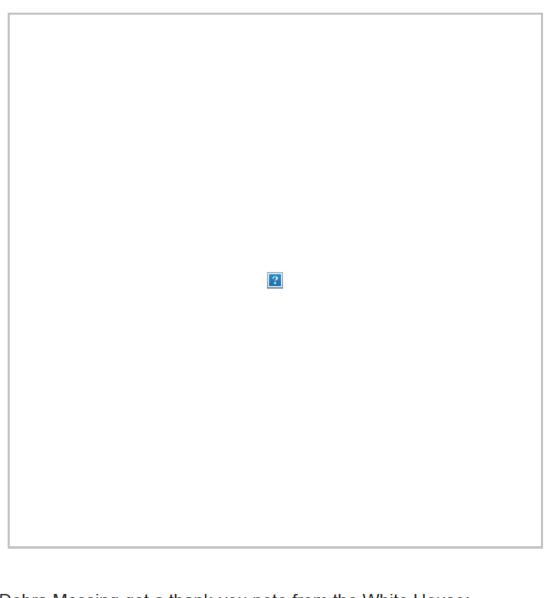
Mike Pence observed some of the damage from the firebombing in North Carolina and called it "an act of political terrorism":

Vogue endorsed Clinton, making the first ever political endorsement in the magazine's history. "We understand that Clinton has not always been a perfect candidate, yet her fierce intelligence and considerable experience are reflected in policies and positions that are clear, sound and hopeful," the magazine's editors write.

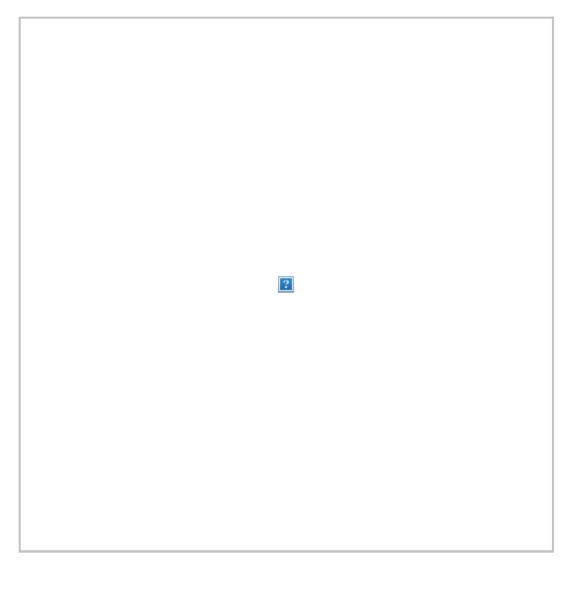


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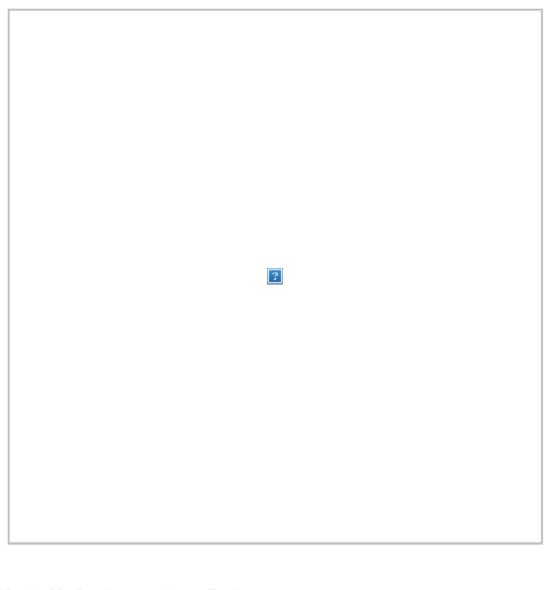




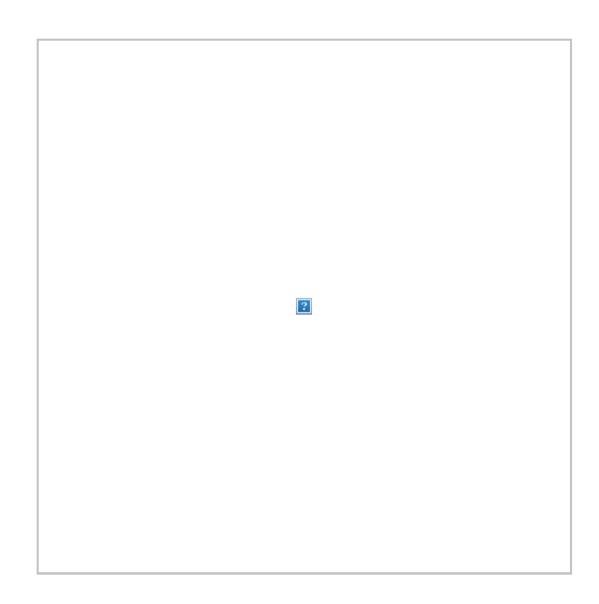
Debra Messing got a thank-you note from the White House:



Jason Chaffetz took this selfie while camping:



Kevin McCarthy went to a Dodgers game:



GOOD READS FROM ELSEWHERE:

Target These Days," by Dave Itzkoff: "Why does David Letterman have a beard? To put it more precisely: Why did Mr. Letterman, after stepping down from CBS's 'Late Show' and a 33-year career ... spend the past year and a half cultivating a fleecy and prodigious mound of facial hair ...? Did he grow these imposing bristles to keep the world at bay while he withdrew into retirement?" Was it his way of saying he was no longer the man who had spent 6,000 evenings reading Top 10 lists and interviewing 20,000 guests? Actually, he

explained, 'I just got tired of shaving every day, but then it became something else, and I'm not quite sure what it became.' In his dry Midwestern delivery, tinged with a new and unaccustomed element of wistfulness, he said: 'The beard is a good reminder to me that that was a different life. I'm hopeful that I will either find something else, or something else will be presented to me.' ... With years of vitality left, he has been trying, since his 'Late Show' farewell in May 2015, to figure out what his next step should be."

- -- National security reporter Walter Pincus prepared a list of pressing foreign policy questions that Trump and Clinton should answer in tonight's debate. Some highlights from his column for the Cipher Brief:
 - For Trump, on Russia: "At the last debate, despite your being briefed by intelligence analysts and after Director of National Intelligence James Clapper publicly identified Russia as doing the hacking, you said [Clinton] 'doesn't know if it's the Russians doing the hacking,' and then added, 'Maybe there is no hacking.' Do you not trust the U.S. intelligence community determination ... that the Russians are behind the hacking of the [DNC] emails?"
 - For Clinton, on Syria: "You are advocating a no-fly zone and safe zones. Define just what would be involved on the part of the U.S. and its allies – including forces in the air and on the ground [for protection] ... Would you seek congressional authorization to use American armed forces which will have to strike at Syrian government targets, something normally considered an act of war?"

For Trump, on Syria: On Oct. 9, you said "Syria is no longer Syria. Syria is Russia and it's Iran.' You also said Assad forces and the Russians in Syria were fighting ISIS, and implied if you were president you would no longer support any anti-Assad forces. Instead you would join with the Russians, Iranians and Assad regime in fighting ISIS. Would that be your policy for Syria? And if the Assad regime, supported by Russian and Iranian military forces, attempted to regain control over all of Syria, would you stand aside and let that happen?"

HOT ON THE LEFT

HOT ON THE RIGHT

Two little known but influential Democratic operatives lost their jobs after edited footage from a video sting by conservative activist James O'Keefe found them entertaining "dark notions" about how to win elections. From Dave Weigel: "Footage from the video shows [Scott] Foval, a Wisconsin-based politico with a long resume, bragging about a litary of political dirty tricks. In the first video, he boasts of 'conflict engagement in the lines of Trump rallies,' takes credit for the violence that canceled a Trump rally at the University of Illinois in Chicago (and) admits

he's paid 'mentally ill'
people to start trouble."
Robert Creamer also
announced he is stepping
down from the work he was
doing for a progressive
consulting group following
release of the tape. On
Tuesday night's episode of
"Hannity," two campaign
representatives said that
the tapes "validated
everything" Trump had said
about the possible threat of
the election being stolen.

DAYBOOK:

On the campaign trail: Trump and Clinton debate in Las Vegas. Tim Kaine speaks in Upper Arlington and Springfield, Ohio and Asheville, N.C.; Bernie Sanders rallies Clinton supporters in Reno, Nev. Pence speaks in Durango, Colo.

At the White House: Obama has no public events scheduled. Biden speaks about the Cancer Moonshot at the SAP Global CEO Summit in New York. Later, he travels to Boston to speak again about the project at the Edward M. Kennedy Institute.

On Capitol Hill: The Senate and House are out.

QUOTE OF THE DAY:

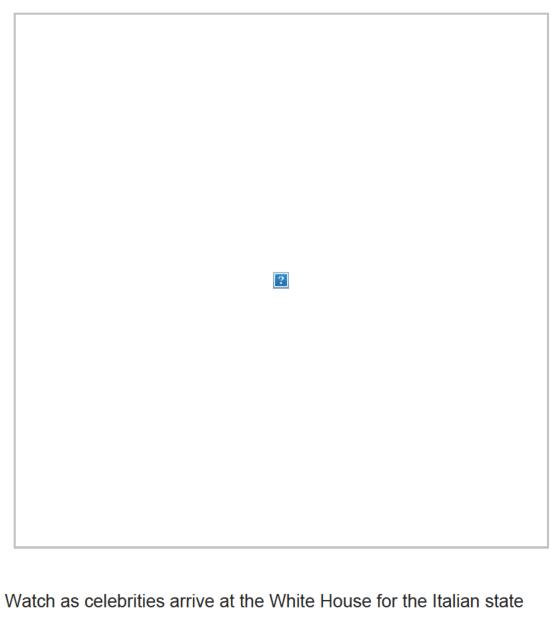
Obama mocked Trump for griping about a rigged election: "You start whining before the game's even over?"

NEWS YOU CAN USE IF YOU LIVE IN D.C.:

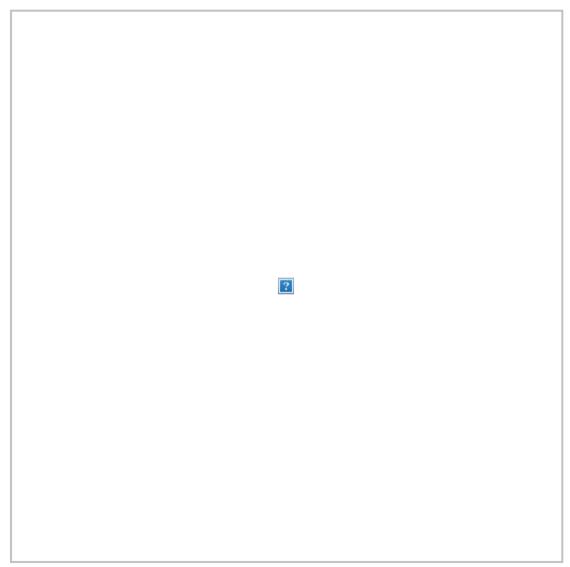
- -- "A solidly summerlike day, with partly to mostly sunny skies and noticeable humidity," the Capital Weather Gang forecasts. "Highs head for the mid-80s, with light winds from the west-southwest around 5-10 mph. The record highs to beat for the day? 88 at DCA, 83 at Dulles, and 82 at BWI."
- -- The Wizards beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 96-91.
- -- The Capitals beat the Colorado Avalanche 3-0
- -- A Richmond federal appeals court agreed to postpone oral arguments in a case over the Washington Redskins' trademark registration, further delaying a long-running case that pits the NFL team against the U.S. patent office and Native Americans groups find the team's name insulting. (lan Shapira)
- -- A high school senior was fatally stabbed on a D.C. Metrobus Tuesday evening, reportedly following a long-running dispute with another young woman over a cell phone. Police said the suspect has been taken into custody and charged. (Peter Hermann)
- -- Marriott International announced plans to relocate its headquarters to downtown Bethesda, deciding to remain in Montgomery County after getting commitment on a \$62 million publicly funded initiative. (Jonathan O'Connell)

VIDEOS OF THE DAY:

Tony Award-winning actress Laura Benanti returned to "The Late								
Show With Stephen Colbert" last night to reprise her spot-on								
parody of Melania Trump — this time with some uncomfortable Billy								
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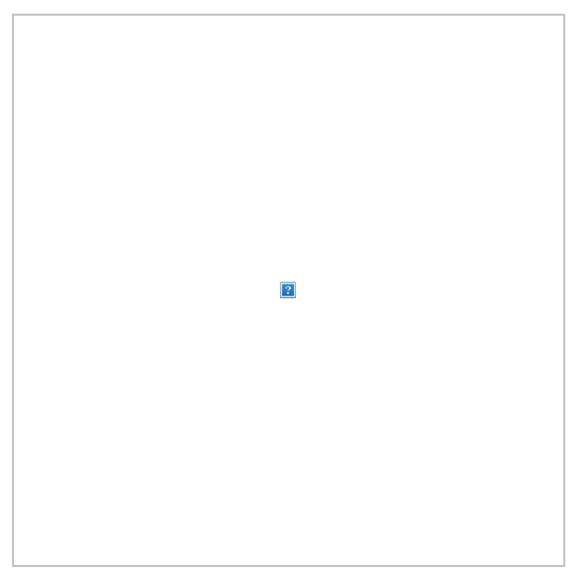


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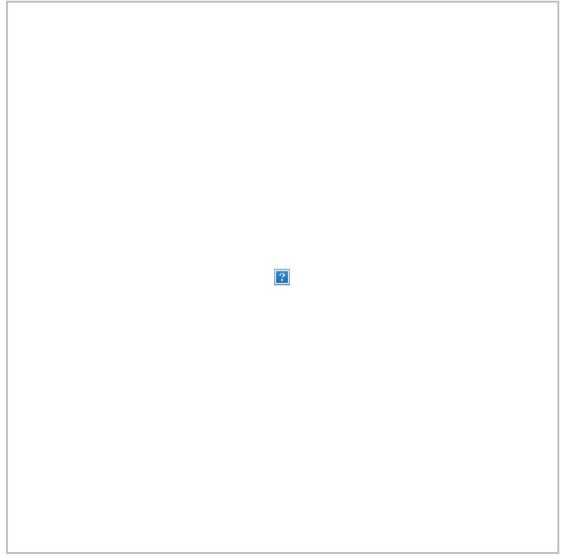
Celebrities arrive for Italian state dinner

"Dreamer" Juan Salazar, who came to the U.S. when he was seven, contemplates what's at stake in this election for him and his undocumented family members:



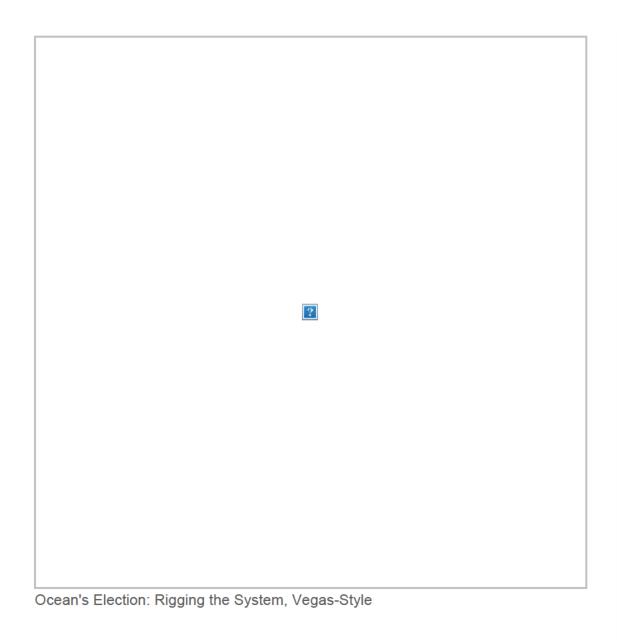
A family in fear: 'Us being separated...is just devastating'

Judy Shepard, whose son Matthew Shepard was murdered in Laramie, Wyoming, in 1998, because he was gay, cut a 1-minute spot for the Clinton Super PAC Priorities USA. "I know what can happen as the result of hate," she says to camera. "So when I see the hate that Donald Trump has brought to his campaign for president, it terrifies me. … Words have an influence, violence causes pain, hate can rip us apart. I know what can happen as the result of hate, and Donald Trump should never be our president."

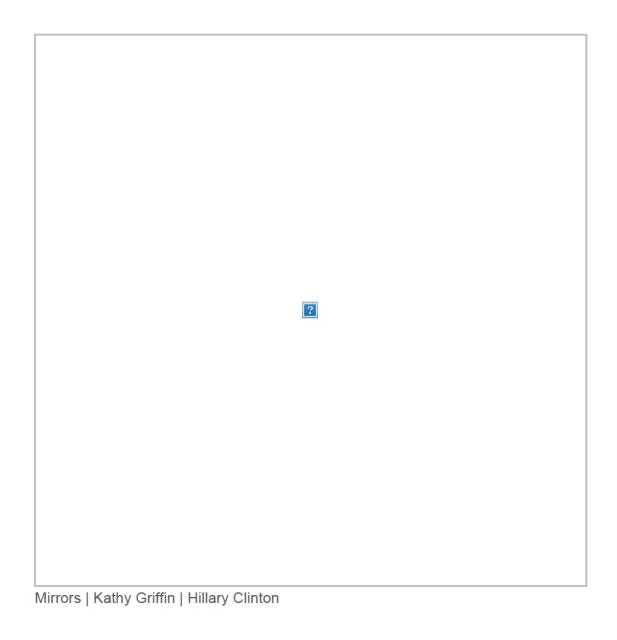


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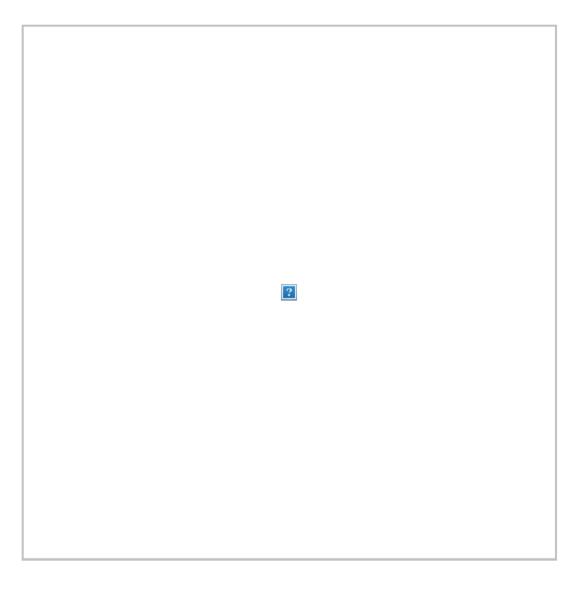
Bloomberg made an Ocean's Eleven-style explainer about whether the election is rigged:



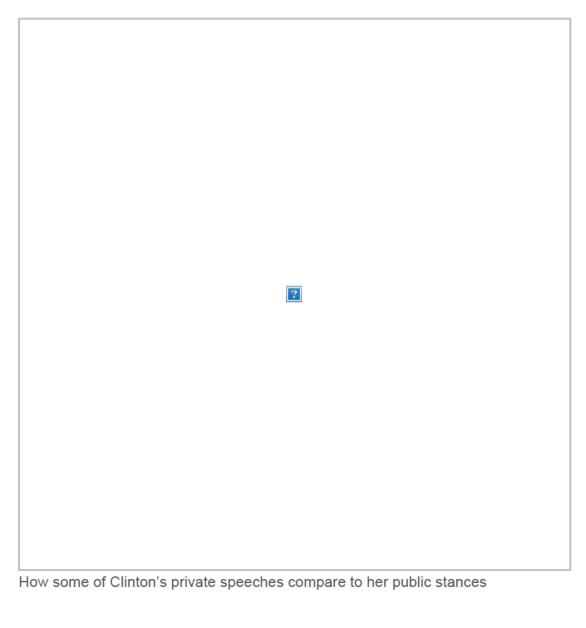
Kathy Griffin taped a video against Trump (warning: profanity):



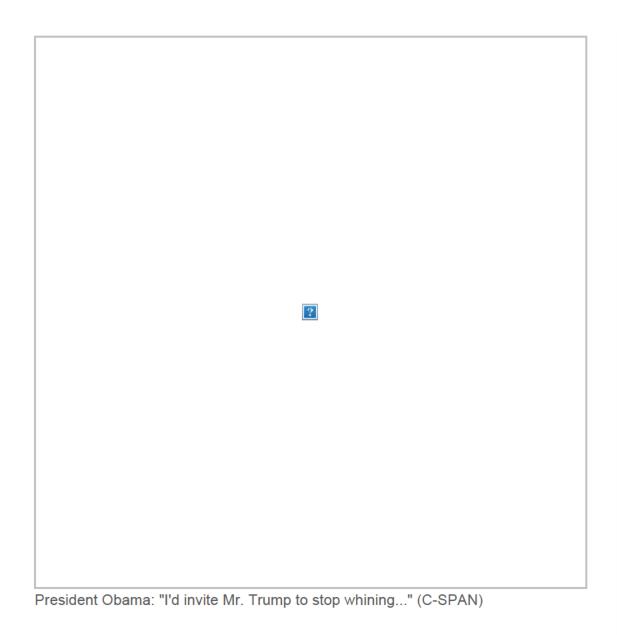
Viceland also used adult language in this Instagram video against Trump:



Compare some of what Clinton says in her stump speech to what she told Goldman Sachs bankers behind closed doors:



Watch Obama speak about Trump's "whining":



Finally, in this video, Canadians tell Americans why our country is already great:

	Canadians 'tell America it's great'	
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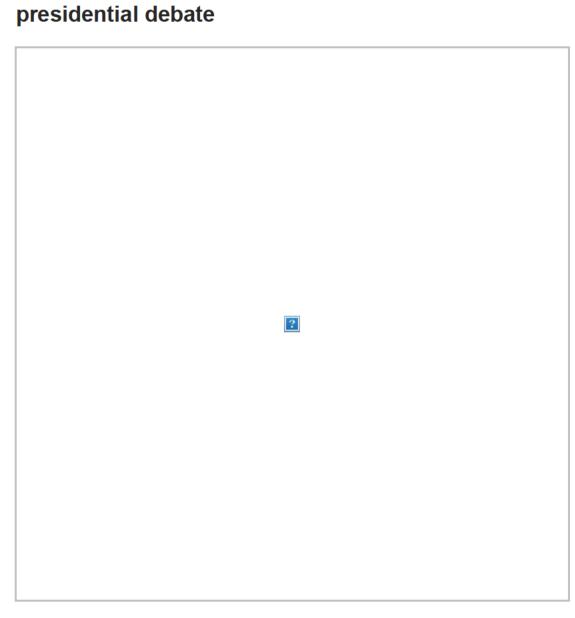
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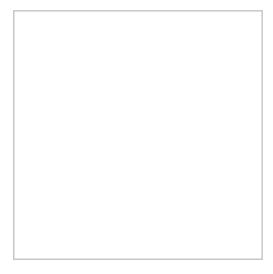
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The Supreme Court will be a focus of tonight's



Donald Trump's plane passes Hillary Clinton's plane at McCarran International Airport yesterday. The candidates have come to Las Vegas for their third and final debate. (Brendan Smialowski/AFP/Getty Images)



With Breanne Deppisch

THE BIG IDEA: The Supreme Court is one of six main topics that will be covered during tonight's final debate at the University of Nevada in Las Vegas. The late Antonin Scalia's seat continues to sit empty. An evenly-divided court has begun its new term under a cloud of uncertainty. Assuming Hillary Clinton wins, it remains unclear whether Republicans will try to confirm Merrick Garland during the lame-duck session to prevent her from putting up someone who is younger and more liberal next year.

The debate took on new significance this week when John

McCain boasted during a radio interview that Republicans would automatically oppose whomever Clinton nominates. "I promise you that we will be united against any Supreme Court nominee that Hillary Clinton, if she were president, would put up," the Arizona senator said. "I promise you!"

Attacked by his Democratic challenger, McCain's spokeswoman released a statement walking back his comment. The senator will "thoroughly examine the record of any Supreme Court nominee put

before the Senate," she said. McCain then <u>awkwardly avoided</u> a local TV reporter who tried to follow up.

Republicans, who have struggled to convince voters that they are capable of governing, talked a big game in years past about the need to be more than just "the party of no." That messaging is gone now. The prospect of four more years in the wilderness suggests that they will move back toward unapologetic obstruction.

Right now, however, they are in damage control mode. Judiciary Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley, who is up for reelection in lowa, promised yesterday to not automatically "stonewall" any Clinton pick. "If that new president happens to be Hillary, we can't just simply stonewall," Grassley said on a conference call with local press.

This is a very delicate balancing act. Vulnerable Republican incumbents are trying to convince people who are reluctantly voting for Clinton to support them by promising that they'll be a check and balance on the excesses of the Clinton presidency. One man's "check and balance," however, is another man's "obstruction." Regardless of how you play it, the bottom line is that Republicans are trying to save their majority by promising more gridlock.

If Republicans hold the Senate, Mitch McConnell will control the floor schedule and Grassley will continue to have the Judiciary gavel. So they technically could do exactly what they have for the past nine months with Garland.

Democrats are now favored to win the Senate majority. Even if they run the table, however, they'll only control around 53 seats.

That is nowhere near filibuster proof. The question then becomes: Which Republicans would cross over to vote for a President Clinton's SCOTUS picks? Could a Majority Leader Chuck Schumer cobble together 60 votes? Or does he invoke the nuclear option and change the rules to allow Supreme Court nominees to be confirmed by a simple majority? Going nuclear will probably be the easier course, both politically and procedurally, especially because the Republican blockade of Garland has cost GOP leaders much of their moral standing to oppose such a gambit.

Contrary to the will of the brilliant men who devised the Constitution, the Senate is increasingly becoming a majoritarian institution. Conservatives, who in principle should be alarmed by this trend, have shortsightedly accelerated it.

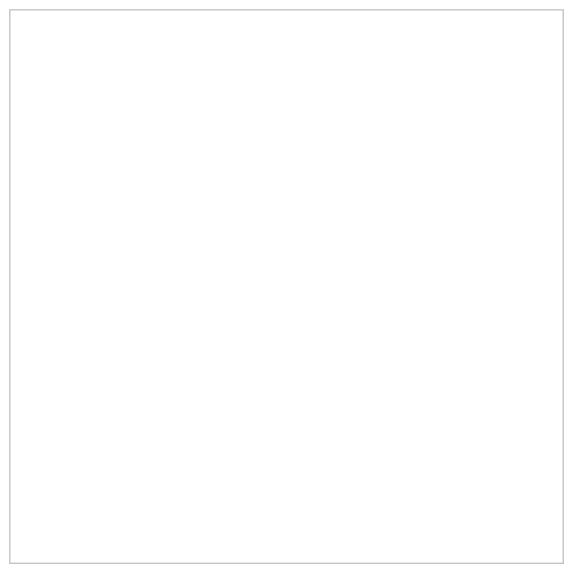


for the debate last night at UNLV. (David Goldman/AP)

-- There are two very important SCOTUS questions that the candidates have avoided giving direct answers to:

Will Clinton re-nominate Garland? Watch for her to once again dodge on this. She's called him "extremely well qualified," and she's relying heavily on Barack Obama to get her across the finish line in November. The president sees getting Garland through during the lame-duck as a top priority and a legacy achievement, but Clinton privately wants to pick someone who is younger and more liberal than the 63-year-old moderate.

Will Trump commit to nominating only people who are on his list of 21 potential picks? Aides have said the list is definitive, but the reality TV star has suggested during interviews that he might go another direction. And he has a very long history of not being true to his word. A few of the people Trump floated have chastised him. Utah Sen. Mike Lee, on the second installment of Trump's list, subsequently called on the GOP nominee to drop out. And, amusingly, federal appellate court Judge Diane Sykes (who was in the first batch of names released by Trump) ruled earlier this month against Mike Pence. She said the Indiana governor cannot interfere with the distribution of federal funds to resettle Syrian refugees in his state.



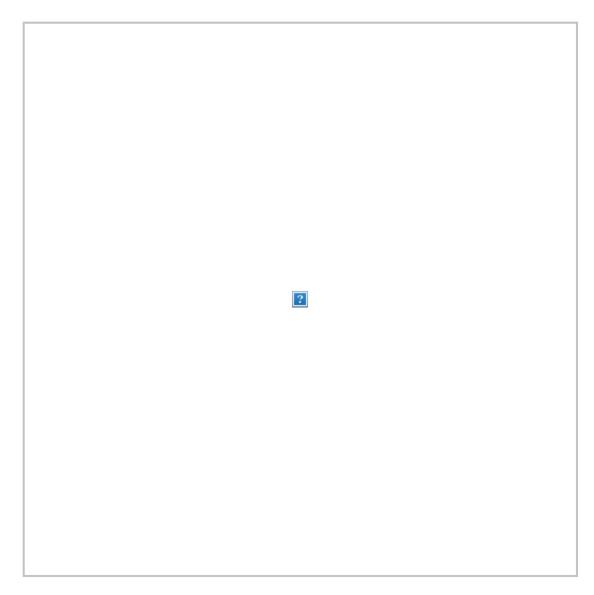
Trump speaks in Grand Junction, Colorado. (George Frey/Getty)

-- For many conservative intellectuals, stopping Clinton from appointing Scalia's replacement is no longer a good enough reason to support Trump. Among the Republican politicians who have capitulated, such as Ted Cruz, holding the Scalia seat is a favorite talking point to justify supporting someone who they privately see as dangerously authoritarian. But 29 top conservative legal scholars have signed onto a letter arguing that it is not enough. The "Originalists against Trump" do not believe Trump would protect the Constitution. And they do not trust him to actually pick from his list of

21. "More importantly, we do not trust him to respect constitutional limits in the rest of his conduct in office, of which judicial nominations are only one part," they write. The group understands that the alternative is Clinton. "Yet our country's commitment to its Constitution is not so fragile that it can be undone by a single administration or a single court," they conclude. (Read the full letter here.)

Our Robert Barnes notes that the signatories include a Northwestern law professor who was one of the founders of the Federalist Society, Steven G. Calabresi; Post columnist George F. Will; and a well-regarded conservative law professor at New York University and the University of Chicago, Richard Epstein. "The effort was organized by Duke University law professor Stephen E. Sachs and University of Chicago law professor William Baude, a pair of former clerks to Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr."

Something to ponder: Will Roberts vote for Trump? He obviously wants to regain his working majority, but he also hails from Indiana – just like Gonzalo Curiel, the federal judge whom Trump leveled repeated, racially-loaded attacks against. We'll never know...

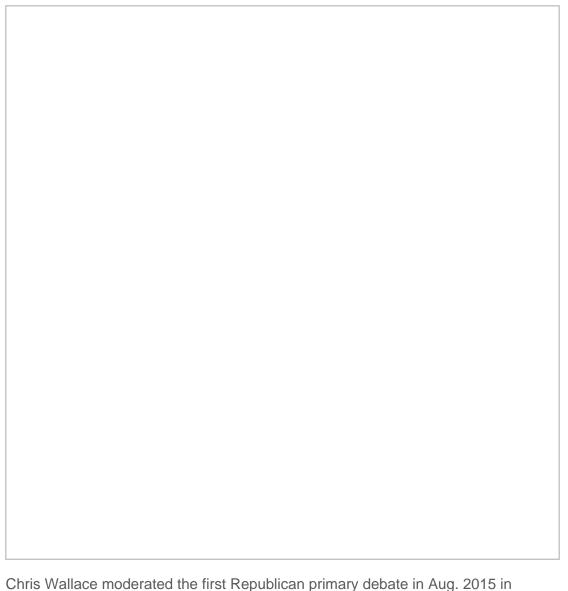


Bill greets Melania before the start of the last debate. (Paul J. Richards/AFP/Getty Images)

MORE ON WHAT TO EXPECT IN VEGAS TONIGHT:

- -- The <u>other five topics</u> that will get covered from 9 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Eastern are immigration, entitlements/debt, the economy, foreign policy and each candidate's "fitness" to serve as president.
- -- Trump's scorched-earth strategy continues. He is bringing as his guests Obama's estranged half-brother Malik and the mother

- of a Benghazi victim who has accused Clinton of "murdering" her son. It is unclear whether the campaign will reveal more surprise guests today. Clinton is bringing billionaires Mark Cuban and Meg Whitman in an effort to rattle Trump over his wealth. (Jose DelReal)
- -- Clinton spent much of this week off the trail preparing for their final showdown, a strategy which Trump mocked at a Colorado rally. He told supporters she was actually at home resting instead. "You know what the debate prep is? It's resting. It's lying down, going to sleep," he said. (Jenna Johnson)
- -- The Clinton campaign has requested that Bill and Melania do not shake hands before tonight's debate. Last time, Trump planned to parade three women who accused Clinton of sexual assault into the family seating area and force the former president to shake their hands as he crossed the room. (Jeremy Peters and Maggie Haberman, The New York Times)



Chris Wallace moderated the first Republican primary debate in Aug. 2015 in Cleveland. (Aaron Josefczyk/Reuters)

-- "Chris Wallace's Debate Role Is a Bright Spot in a Dark Year for Fox," by the New York Times's Michael Grynbaum: Chris is the first Fox journalist to take charge of a general election face-off. "It would be the most consequential night of Fox News's year — if the network had not just endured the most traumatic period in its two-decade history. [For] the team of Fox anchors and producers (in Vegas) this week, Mr. Wallace's star turn is a welcome source of pride. And, maybe, some relief. The selection of Mr. Wallace, a veteran broadcaster with a reputation for tough, mischief-making

questions, was particularly bolstering for Fox's news division, which has viewed itself as an unfairly maligned alternative to the network's stable of conservative commentators like Mr. Hannity and Bill O'Reilly."

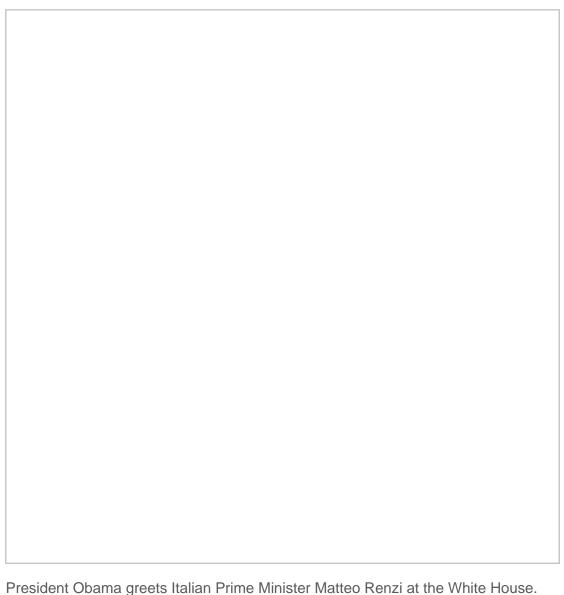
- -- Politico's Glenn Thrush preemptively declares that "Clinton will be on the defensive": "Trump's fitness to lead has, rightly, been the major focus of his conventionally lousy first debate and the national disgrace of his second one. But here's some good news for him! Trump has done such a masterful job of handing Clinton the election that the inevitable focus now is on her! America wants, demands, that final kick-the-tires test, as Barack Obama said of the process and significant questions remain about her honesty, integrity, judgment and trustworthiness. ... Beatings, like bossa novas, have a predictable rhythm. Trump's beating (however deserved or self-inflicted) has gone on for too long in terms of the cyclical attention span of modern media, and it's simply Hillary's turn."
- -- Trump's odds of turning around his campaign tonight are steep, the Boston Globe's Matt Viser posits: "Clinton arrives in Las Vegas for the final debate like a poker player holding a full house, confident and careful. Trump is furiously raising his bet, acting as if he's holding a hot hand, when polls say all he's got is a pair of jacks."
- -- Republicans are praying that Trump does not once again take
 Clinton's bait, per the Wall Street Journal's Michael Bender and
 Laura Meckler: "Democrats want Clinton to articulate a positive
 vision for the country, rising above the allegations of sexual
 misconduct and dishonesty that have permeated this election year. ...

Republicans say Trump needs to focus on his popular antiestablishment message and avoid placing any more attention on controversies over his treatment of women or rifts with fellow Republicans. 'For once he needs to make this a race that's not just about him,' said GOP consultant and former Romney adviser Kevin Madden. 'Clinton wants this race to be a referendum on Trump and his lack of temperament, and every time she lays the bait he never disappoints in taking it."

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WHILE YOU WERE SLEEPING:



President Obama greets Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi at the White House. (EPA/Michael Reynolds)

-- President Obama hosted his final state dinner, honoring Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi and his wife at a celebratory -- yet nostalgic -- reception. "If there was a collective emotion that defined the night it'd be a mix of joy and pain," Helena Andrews-Dyer and Emily Heil wrote. "Everyone involved in the Obamas' last black tie gala felt it. From guest chef Mario Batali, who said that knowing this dinner is the last adds its own brand of pride and pressure, to the president himself, who called the swanky swan song 'a bittersweet moment.' Held in a tent on the South Lawn dripping with chandeliers

and dotted with mirrored tables to conjure up the Italian 'fresco' technique, the evening featured a stroll through the first lady's kitchen garden ... a four-course meal prepared by Batali and a performance by Gwen Stefani ... But despite the night's obvious symbolism as a denouement the dinner's guests probably took the opening lines of the president's traditional toast to heart: 'In the immortal words of a great Italian American, Yogi Berra, 'It ain't over 'till it's over.'"

The Obamas rewarded many of their most loyal staffers with seats at the dinner. Among the 380 guests were the first lady's hair stylist, makeup artist, and personal trainer...

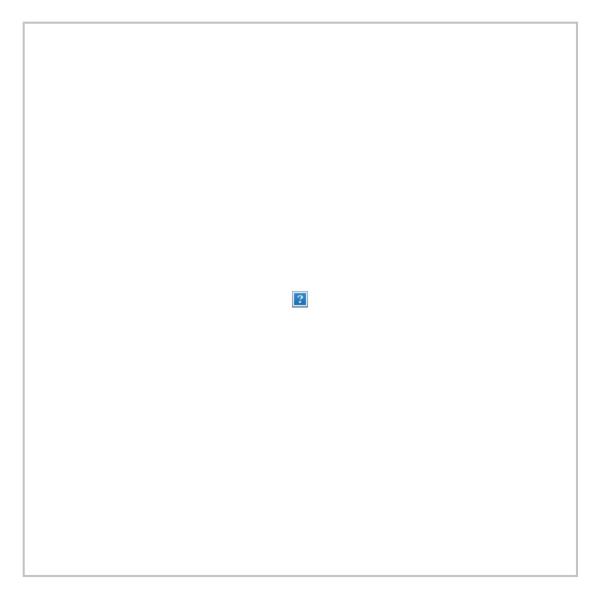
FLOTUS wore a custom rose-gold chain-mail gown from Atelier Versace. It was a slinky gown with an asymmetrical neckline that slithered like liquid metal down her torso and around her hips. "It was pure Hollywood glamour," writes Fashion Critic Robin Givhan.



-- Ecuador acknowledged that it "temporarily restricted" the Internet access of WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange at its United Kingdom embassy after WikiLeaks posted John Podesta's emails. A foreign ministry statement said that while it stands by its decision in 2012 to grant Assange asylum, it doesn't interfere in foreign elections. The ministry didn't specify the extent of the restrictions on Assange's cyber access, saying only that the limitations wouldn't affect WikiLeaks's ability to carry out its journalistic activities. Do not forget: Assange is hiding out in the

embassy to avoid facing trial for alleged sexual assault. (Nick Miroff)

- -- Marco Rubio urged Trump and the RNC to stop attacking Clinton over hacked emails published by Wikileaks: "As our intelligence agencies have said, these leaks are an effort by a foreign government to interfere with our electoral process and I will not indulge it," Rubio told ABC News's Jon Karl in an interview. "Further, I want to warn my fellow Republicans who may want to capitalize politically on these leaks: Today it is the Democrats. Tomorrow it could be us."
- -- Speaking of insecure email servers, Trump lives in a glass house. From Mother Jones' Joseph Cox: "A researcher has found that a number of email servers linked to [Trump's] hotel and others businesses are running horribly out of date software which receive no security patches, and are lacking other precautions for keeping hackers out." A number of mail servers for TrumpOrg.com, a domain registered to The Trump Organization, are using end-of-life software, including the operating system Windows Server 2003 and IIS 6.0. "Running outdated software and operating systems for your publicly facing email infrastructure is problematic, especially when you're a high profile organisation," said security architect Kevin Beaumont. "During an election where cybersecurity is such a big issue, I was a little amazed at what I saw."



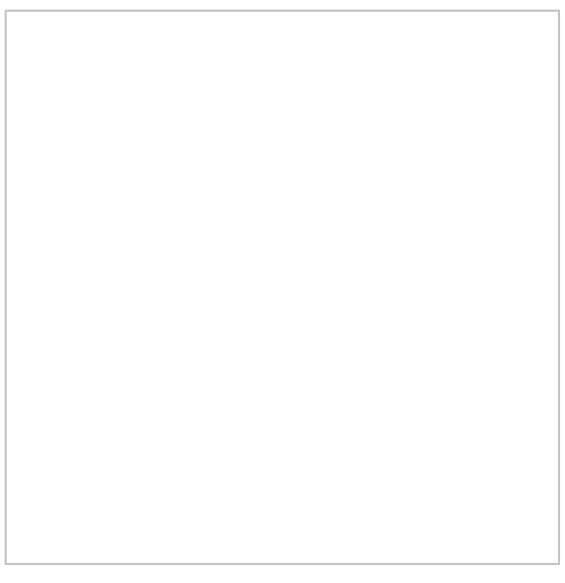
Filipino villagers gather as they prepare for a super typhoon that may hit their village. (EPA)

GET SMART FAST:

 A dangerous super typhoon is spinning like a table saw towards the Philippines, barreling down with Category-5 level winds of 160 mph. Local emergency managers are warning storm surge could exceed 15 feet when it makes landfall. The storm's arrival comes just days after another typhoon struck the country, killing at least two people. (Angela Fritz)

- A former Arkansas judge has been arrested and accused of giving lenient sentences to male defendants in exchange for sexual favors – soliciting at least nine men between the ages of 16 and 22 for what he referred to as "community service." (Kristine Guerra)
- 3. A magistrate judge delivered a victory to a transgender high school student in Illinois, allowing her to continue to use a bathroom and locker room corresponding with her gender identity. (Derek Hawkins)
- 4. More police officers have been killed in the line of duty so far this year than all of last year combined. But federal statistics also show that being a law enforcement officer has continually gotten safer over the last four decades. Since the 1970s, the death toll for cops decreased by more than half. (Mark Berman)
- Warring parties in Yemen agreed to a 72-hour ceasefire. The U.N. hopes the temporary truce will lead to a "permanent and lasting end" to the conflict. (AP)
- 6. A new lawsuit accuses public schools in Flint, Mich., of failing to meet obligations to screen children for lead exposure. The complaint alleges that the city's public school system has also failed to provide critical services and interventions to counter the effects of lead exposure. (Emma Brown)
- 7. The University of Maryland agreed to hire more staff to address sexual assault on campus, after reports that a faculty shortage was slowing down open investigations. Student government leaders proposed a student fee to help fund the office. (Susan Svrluga)

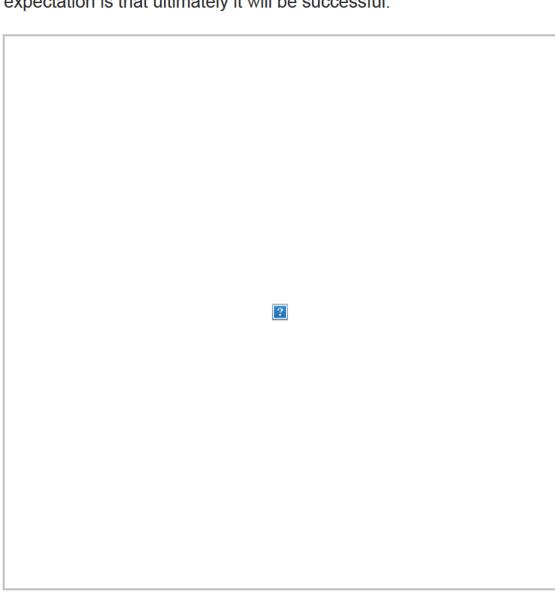
- 8. Samsung is setting up pop-up phone exchange booths at airports across the country, allowing busy travelers to trade in Galaxy 7 smartphones that were recently banned from all U.S. flights. But it's unclear what devices the kiosks will offer in replacement and, as Hayley Tsukayama notes, a crowded airport is probably not the ideal place to make such a major purchase.
- 9. The Transylvania castle that inspired the "Dracula" novels will be open to two brave souls on Halloween night, thanks to an Airbnb contest. Winners will spend the night in the 14th century digs, eating by candlelight and sleeping in velvet-lined coffins. (Cleve R. Wootson Jr.)



Members of the Iraqi Special Operations Forces outside Mosul today. (Azad Lashkari/Reuters)

-- A dispatch from the front lines --> "Evidence of a 'difficult fight' ahead as forces move toward ISIS-held Mosul," by Kareem Fahim and Loveday Morris: "To defend a few miles of unremarkable road in northern Iraq, flanked by farmland, the occasional factory and flyspeck hamlets and villages, the Islamic State militants seemed to spare no effort. They loaded a Volkswagen with explosives and secreted remote-detonated bombs ... They burned tires and dug large tunnels in houses ... The arsenal ultimately failed to protect the militants. But it seemed to slow down the action, tying up a large

contingent of Iraqi soldiers as they tried to clear the road and villages of booby traps, a few wearying feet at a time. There were still 12 grueling miles left to travel before reaching the city's outskirts. The struggle for Mosul ... is the largest and most complex so far in the battle against [ISIS] militants, who have been digging in for a fight. Residents who have recently fled the area ... say the Islamic State has been erecting concrete barricades and filling trenches with oil that can be set on fire to slow advancing forces. 'It's going to be a tough fight and a difficult fight,' Obama said on Tuesday. 'But my expectation is that ultimately it will be successful.'"



Makia Nunes, moments after she became a U.S. citizen yesterday, kisses a cardboard cutout of Hillary. She registered to vote immediately after her Naturalization Ceremony in Los Angeles. (Frederic J. Brown/AFP/Getty Images)

THE RACE CONTINUES TO MOVE AWAY FROM TRUMP:

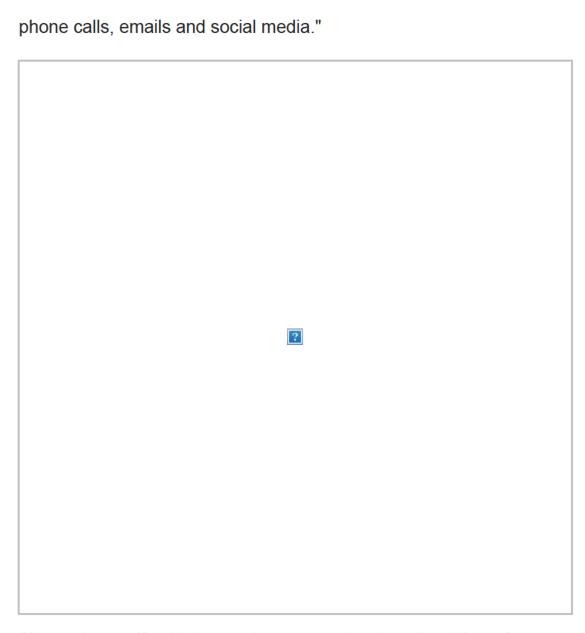
- -- The chairman of a pro-Trump super PAC, Ed Rollins, told Laura Ingraham that it "would take a miracle at this point" for Trump to win.
- -- Pre-spinning the loss, Trump campaign manager Kellyanne
 Conway says she cannot believe Clinton is not winning by a
 bigger margin given her numerous built-in advantages: "She has
 endless money. She's got a lot of the media. She has a very popular
 president and first lady campaigning for her," Conway told Anderson
 Cooper. "I will tell you, I am mystified as to why she can't get to those
 52, 53 percent numbers in some of these states given the
 disadvantages we're handed every day."
- -- Las Vegas bookies now have Clinton as a six-to-one favorite.
- -- A Washington Post/Survey Monkey poll of 15 battleground states gives Clinton a "decisive advantage" over Trump in the competition for Electoral College votes. From Dan Balz and Scott Clement: "Based on the results ... along with assumptions of the likely outcomes in other states that have consistently voted for one party or the other, [Clinton] holds leads of four percentage points or more among likely voters in states that add up to 304 electoral votes. Trump, [meanwhile], has the advantage in states with an estimated electoral vote total of 138. Arizona, Florida, Ohio and Texas, which account for 96 electoral votes, remain as toss-ups."

Down-ballot Republicans continue to outperform Trump in our survey: "Democrats need a net gain of five seats to take outright control -- four to exercise control if Clinton becomes president. The results showed Democrats with leads of four or more points in three states with GOP incumbents: New Hampshire, North Carolina and Wisconsin. Republican incumbents lead in Florida and Ohio, in the latter by a wide margin. Meanwhile, races in Nevada, for a seat currently held by Democrats, and Pennsylvania, for a seat now in Republican hands, continue to be close."

- -- A <u>Bloomberg Politics poll</u> shows Clinton with a 9 point national lead (50-41). The two tied last month. Trump is losing support among both men and those without college degrees. "This poll shows movement toward Clinton with all the right groups it takes to win," said pollster J. Ann Selzer. "Their alignment with Clinton is a formidable change in the algebra."
- -- An Arizona Republic/Arizona State University poll shows
 Clinton AHEAD in ARIZONA by 5 points. Waning support for the
 Republican nominee does not appear to have shifted down-ballot,
 however, with McCain leading by 11 points over Democratic
 challenger Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick. Support for the presidential
 candidates also appears to be somewhat baked into the cake,
 with two-thirds of voters saying they were not influenced by the
 previous two debates. Of respondents who indicated the debate
 was influential, 16 percent said they were more likely to back Clinton.
 9 percent said the same of Trump.
- -- The <u>University of Houston</u> finds Trump is only ahead by 3 points in Texas (41-38).

- -- St. Norbert College shows Clinton leading by 8 points in Wisconsin (47-39).
- -- Monmouth University puts Clinton up 7 points in Nevada (47-40). Her surge in the state is largely attributed to younger, non-white voters moving into her column over the past month.
- -- A Fox News national poll shows Clinton up 6 points (45-39).
- -- The Japanese newspaper Asahi Shimbun conducted a poll asking which candidate people thought would be more appropriate as the U.S. president. They found that only 3 percent of Japanese picked Trump, while 73 percent preferred Clinton.

 The rest had no opinion. The wording is non-traditional, but WaPo pollster Scott Clement checked out the paper's methodology and says it is legit. This will not surprise close poll watchers. Previous international surveys have found Trump to be exceptionally unpopular.
- -- Fear of an imminent terrorist attack is one of the top concerns of people across the globe, with most expecting extremist groups will acquire weapons of mass destruction, according to a new poll conducted in eight countries. From Carol Morello: "The survey, commissioned by the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), showed that many people think their governments are not doing enough to combat violent extremism. And a majority in every country polled, including the United States, overwhelmingly approved all 21 options presented to them among them, requiring identification cards for citizens and visitors; rigorous screening of immigrants; bans on incendiary religious speech; and monitoring of



Clinton takes a selfie with the crowd at a voter registration rally at Wayne State University in Detroit. (Reuters/Lucy Nicholson)

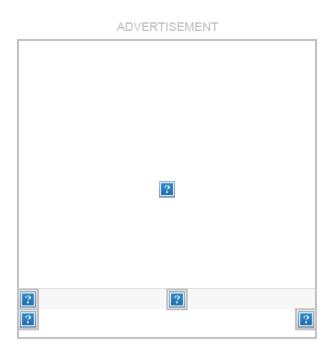
THE DAILY HILLARY:

-- Former FBI agent Brian McCauley pushed back on allegations of a "quid pro quo." He confirmed that he spoke to a top State Department official about changing the classified status of one of Clinton's emails, as well as a long-standing FBI request for additional staffing in U.S. embassies, but he denied that any

Zapotosky, McCauley acknowledged that he offered to do a favor in exchange for another favor, but before he had any inkling of what Kennedy wanted. "I said, 'Absolutely not, I can't help you,' and he took that, and it was fine," said McCauley, who was the FBI's deputy assistant director for international operations from 2012 to 2015. McCauley said that when he learned the missive concerned the attack on the U.S. diplomatic facility in Benghazi, Libya, he told Kennedy he could not help him. "I said, 'Absolutely not, I can't help you,' and he took that, and it was fine," said McCauley, who was the FBI's deputy assistant director for international operations from 2012 to 2015.

- -- "Black activists and organizers, frustrated with the Clinton campaign's inability to engage young voters, have taken it upon themselves to challenge their peers to consider the consequences if Republicans take the White House," Vanessa Williams reports. "They also have encouraged young voters to focus on state and local elections, because those officials make decisions about how police departments and schools are run, issues that more directly affect their lives. Younger African Americans, like many millennials, are not excited about this year's presidential election ... [but] because Trump's campaign has laid bare racist attitudes, the seeming indifference of black millennials to the election has sparked broad discussion within the African American community."
- -- Seventy Nobel Laureates endorsed Clinton, arguing that her election is "crucial for safeguarding freedom and preserving a constitutional government." Signatories include world-renowned

experts in science, medicine and economics, such as chemist Peter Agre, economist Robert Shiller, and physicist Robert Woodrow Wilson. Separately, a group of 140 conservative writers urged voters to reject Trump, calling him "most dangerous to our nation's founding ideals" in an open letter. Several former Republican White House staffers are on the list. (New York Times)





-- An early draft of Clinton's V.P. list: John Podesta in mid-March emailed Clinton a preliminary list of names to consider for her running mate, organized into what he termed "rough food groups." WikiLeaks posted it yesterday, and the Journal wrote it up:

The first group included her **Latino options**, including Secretary of Labor Tom Perez and Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Julián Castro.

The second consisted of **black candidates**, including Cory Booker and Eric Holder.

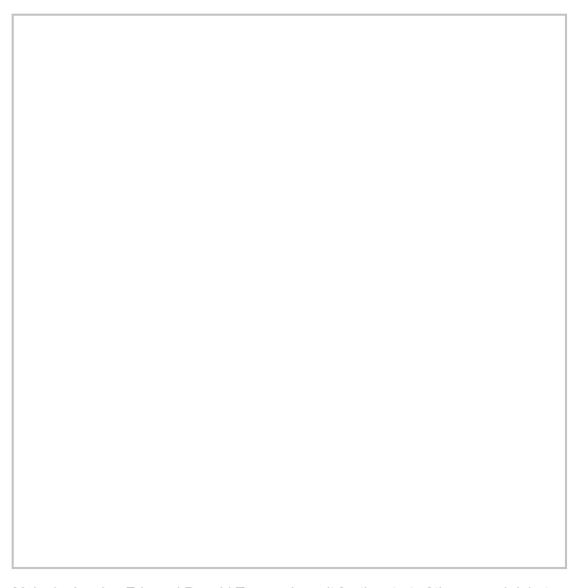
The third was **white men who could help in a swing state**, including Tim Kaine, Terry McAuliffe and Sherrod Brown.

Another section included **seven women**, including Elizabeth Warren and Jeanne Shaheen.

He also suggested **three military names**, including retired Marine Corps Gen. John Allen.

Podesta also floated **corporate options**, including Bill Gates,
Starbucks CEO Howard Schultz, Michael Bloomberg; Apple CEO Tim
Cook and Coca-Cola Co. CEO Muhtar Kent.

The final category had just one name: **Bernie Sanders**.



Melania, Ivanka, Eric and Donald Trump, Jr. wait for the start of the second debate St. Louis. (John Locher/AP)

THE DAILY DONALD:

-- People Magazine published six stories from friends and colleagues of Trump accuser Natasha Stoynoff, corroborating her accusation that the Republican nominee forced himself on her in 2005. Two people who went on the record are now People editors - deputy East Coast editor Mary Green and East Coast editor Liz McNeil. Another is Stoynoff's former journalism professor, who says she called him looking for advice immediately afterwards. And

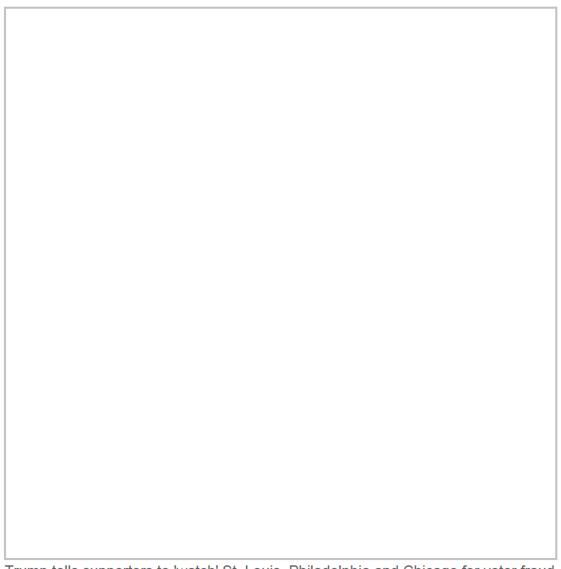
yet another friend went on the record to back her claims that she ran into Melania Trump on Fifth Avenue after the assault. The report comes as both Donald and Melania have denied the story and threatened legal action.

- -- Video surfaced yesterday of Trump attacking Condi Rice in 2006: "I wish she was a b**ch," he said. "I don't care if she's a lovely woman. I want somebody that can go and make deals. She goes to countries, nothing ever happens. Except sound bytes." When asked if she had any response to the New York Daily News report on Trump's remarks, the former secretary of state emailed CNN: "Can't wait until November 9!"
- -- Trump's alleged misconduct has started a national conversation about sexual assault. From Katie Zezima: "The debate has been particularly painful for many victims of sexual assault, who now must endure nonstop coverage of allegations of groping and kissing without consent — along with backlash against the women who made the claims about Trump. But in the 2016 presidential election, the issue has become sharply divided along partisan lines, including claims by some Trump allies that the behavior described by Trump's accusers ... might not be considered assault. The resistance against the accusers is particularly awkward for the Trump campaign, which simultaneously argues that women who accused Bill Clinton of wrongdoing years ago should be believed." GOP strategist Ashley O'Connor said that Trump is essentially saying, "You need to believe the people who have come forward and accused [Bill]. You need to believe that [Hillary] was attacking these women. But don't believe the women who have come

forward against me."

- -- Melania is taking a page from the old Hillary playbook: "Until now, Melania Trump has declined to fulfill the mundane tasks of political wives, saying her duties to her young son are more important than the demand that a spouse go along for the ride to 'humanize' a candidate," Karen Tumulty writes. "Now, however, she has found herself in a time-honored duty for a political wife when a sex scandal hits cleanup. [But] even as she defends her husband, [Melania] is willing to go only so far: In a moment where the script would appear to call for her to share a little more about 'the man I know,' she offered no personal glimpses of their lives. There was nothing more revealing than what one might hear in a campaign ad outside, perhaps, her observation that she feels like she is living with two boys, not one."
- -- Ivanka addressed her father's lewd 2005 remarks for the first time, telling Fast Company that his conversation with Billy Bush was "clearly inappropriate and offensive." "I'm glad that he acknowledged this fact with an immediate apology to my family and the American people," she added in a statement.
- -- Donald Jr. has made a series of offensive statements during interviews with shock-jock radio hosts. CNN's Andrew Kaczynski unearthed a trove of controversial remarks from the candidate's son:
 - He joked about the Aurora movie theater shooting on the same day 12 people were killed: After footage was played from a witness recounting the tragedy, Trump Jr. quipped that the survivor will still give the film "two thumbs up."

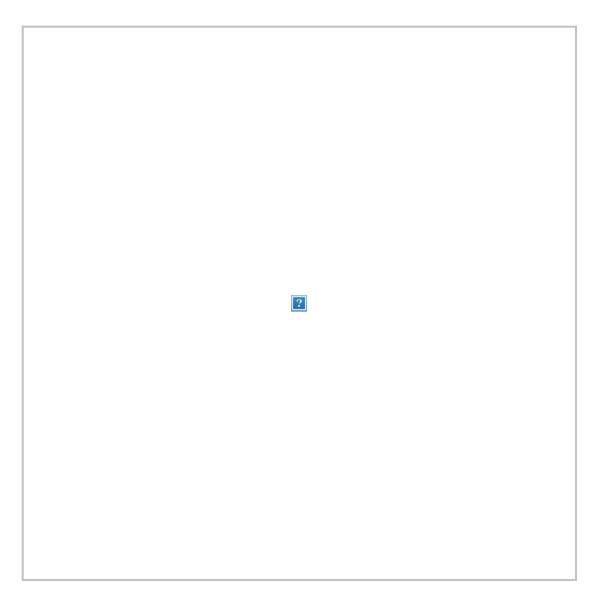
- He joked about child abuse at beauty pageants: "They yell at the kids like, yeah 'You didn't do good, you forgot to turn! You forgot your turn!" a host said, depicting the role of a stage parent. "The kids, they're crying," Trump Jr. said. "I just wanna play with Barbie." "She beats me when you're not here," said the host. "She's like limping," added Trump Jr., mocking a child's voice. "'Help me, help me." Trump Jr. added of the moms at beauty pageants, "They're all fat. Ugly."
- On not being able to mock overweight people: "By the way
 you can't ... even make fat jokes now ... that's almost the worst
 one," he said. "It's easier to, like, do a racial thing, than it is a fat
 one because everyone knows they're fat and they get really
 offended."



Trump tells supporters to 'watch' St. Louis, Philadelphia and Chicago for voter fraud

-- Doubling down on his rigged election rhetoric, Trump yesterday provided his supporters with a list of three cities where they should watch for corruption on Election Day. "Take a look at St. Louis. Take a look at Philadelphia. Take a look at Chicago," Trump said in Colorado. "Look, look, if nothing else, people are going to be watching on November 8. Watch Philadelphia. Watch St. Louis. Watch Chicago, watch Chicago. Watch so many other places." (Two of those cities are in states that are not considered competitive, Jenna Johnson notes.)

- -- Local election officials are panicking that Trump's reckless rhetoric will lead his supporters to bring guns to polling places, but they're mostly powerless to do anything about it: "The Prince William County (Virginia) electoral board ... considered seeking a one-day ban on weapons at polling places located on private property but was rebuked by a gun-friendly state legislator." Patricia Sullivan reports. "Del. Robert G. Marshall (R-Prince William) sent a letter to the board pointing out that it has no power to ban guns from polling places except for schools and courthouses, where weapons are prohibited by state law. ... Virginia's election officials have been discussing on their private email list the possibility of intimidation or violence Nov. 8 and talking about what to do about unruly observers. ... Seventy of Prince William's 91 polling places are in schools, with the remaining 21 in churches, fire halls and community centers. Firearms are allowed in county government buildings, such as fire stations, libraries and community centers."
- -- Trump called for a Constitutional amendment to put in place congressional term limits, but he provided no details about the details. (Jenna Johnson)



Supporters of Nicolas Maduro display a giant inflatable dummy depicting late President Hugo Chavez in Caracas. (Juan Barreto/Getty)

-- Venezuelan journalist and political scientist Francisco Toro argues that Trump really is much more like Nicolás Maduro than Hugo Chavez: "Again and again, since taking over in 2013, Maduro has run roughshod over the constitution in ways Chávez never dared to ... [and] for Venezuelans, the past year has been an object lesson in how dangerous this approach can be. Last week, we followed this crazy dynamic off the deep end, when the court overturned 800 years of constitutional practice, dating back to the original Magna Carta, ruling that when the constitution says the legislative branch has to

vote on the national budget, it means the president can just approve budgets on his own. ... Having your democracy commit suicide under the lure of a charismatic demagogue is not the kind of experience you can fully make sense of unless you've lived it in your own skin. Before 2016, no explanation I could give my American friends was enough. Now, my American friends can just turn on CNN and watch it happening live."

THE BATTLEGROUNDS:

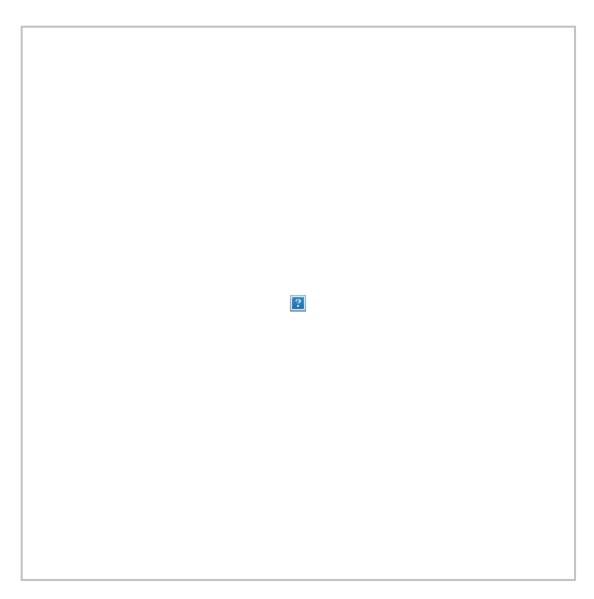
- -- A civil rights group filed a federal lawsuit to force Virginia to extend its voter registration period, after the state's online system crashed on Monday. The technological glitch prohibited registration from an unknown number of participants. Some have estimated the number to be in the "tens of thousands." (Laura Vozzella)
- -- Pro-Clinton super PAC Priorities USA announced it will begin airing ads in two Senate races and will start airing television and radio ads in Georgia to boost Clinton. "New ads will support Gov. Maggie Hassan in the New Hampshire Senate race against Republican Sen. Kelly Ayotte and Katie McGinty in the Pennsylvania Senate race against Sen. Patrick J. Toomey," Abby Phillip writes. "The super PAC also plans a new seven-figure television ad buy in Georgia in addition to new radio ads targeted at African American voters. The state has not been won by the Democratic presidential nominee since 1992."
- -- DNC officials issued an apology after one of its campaign buses was recorded illegally dumping sewage into a Georgia

storm drain, calling the leak an "honest" but "unacceptable" mistake. The driver of the bus – adorned with larger-than-life faces of Clinton and Kaine – said the vehicle's sewage tank was full and leaking out. A guy in an auto parts repair store spotted him and record it. (Katie Mettler)

- -- The race for Rep. Barbara Comstock's House seat in Northern Virginia has tightened. From Jenna Portnoy: The Cook Political Report is moving the race up to toss-up, while the Rothenberg & Gonzales Political Report already considers it a toss-up district, tilting to the Republican. "Experts consider the district among the most competitive in the nation despite lackluster fundraising numbers from Democratic challenger LuAnn Bennett and evidence [Trump] might not be the anchor on down-ballot candidates some had expected," Portnoy writes. The two will face off this morning for the final debate of the campaign.
- Bloc: White Catholics," by the New York Times's Jason Horowitz in Philly: "Since the election of Ronald Reagan, white Roman Catholics have flocked to Republican nominees for a raft of reasons, including their stances on social issues like abortion and same-sex marriage. But this year, something seems different. 'Trump is the exception to the rule,' said 67-year-old Carol Robinson, leaving an afternoon prayer meeting in Philadelphia. 'He's a loose cannon.' Roman Catholics are the country's second-largest religious group after evangelical Protestants, and they are as diverse as the country itself, with young liberals, cultural conservatives and, increasingly, Democratic-leaning Hispanics."

One quiet influencer could be Pope Francis, wh emphasizes inclusion and the welfare of the poor over divisive issues like abortion and homosexuality. In February, he suggested Trump "is not a Christian."

-- Harry Reid reflects on when Trump used to be one of his donors in an interview with Paul Kane: "Reid found a priceless piece of memorabilia recently while sorting through 34 years of congressional papers. It's a picture of Reid with [Trump], inside the real-estate developer's Manhattan home, both men smiling. He's pretty sure it's from 1992, when [he] was running his first Senate reelection bid and when [Trump] was happy to help Democrats. Reid appreciated Trump's generosity. 'He wasn't much of a big shot then, neither was I,' Reid recalled ... Over the years when Trump was a reliable donor to Senate Democrats, Reid saw no signs of a future Republican presidential candidate who he would later eviscerate as a 'racist' and a 'human leech.' Now, heading into political twilight, the former boxer is clearly relishing what is essentially his last campaign through attacks on Trump ... 'I'm kind of an unusual politician,' he said."



Libertarian Lucy Brenton, Democrat Evan Bayh and Republican Todd Young debate in Indianapolis last night. (AP Photo/Michael Conroy, Pool)

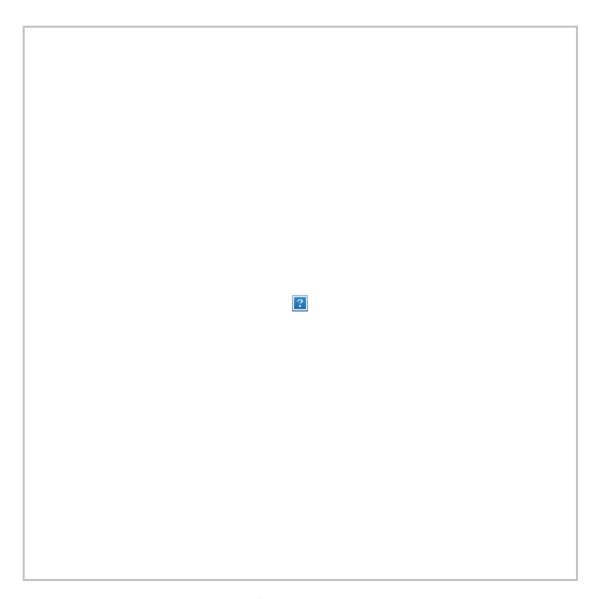
SENATE DEBATES:

-- "Indiana's Senate race got personal Tuesday," the Indianapolis Star's Maureen Groppe and James Briggs write.

"After weeks of attacking each other in campaign commercials, former Sen. Evan Bayh and GOP Rep. Todd Young directly accused each other of not representing Hoosiers' interests in their [sole debate] ... Young repeatedly charged Bayh, a Democrat, with following the orders of Washington insiders and looking out for

himself. 'Evan Bayh took the money and ran,' Young said after criticizing Bayh's vote for the Affordable Care Act. 'He joined a major lobbying firm in Washington, D.C., and he represented clients that needed relief from the very problem he created from Obamacare.' Bayh said Young has voted against the needs of veterans, seniors and workers who are losing their jobs to overseas competition. And he accused Young of lying about his record. 'Congressman Young has told so many whoppers here tonight, it's hard to keep track," Bayh said.

-- The final debate between Sen. Ron Johnson and Democrat Russ Feingold also turned personal, the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel's Bill Glauber reports: "Skirmishing over campaign finance, national security, the economy and the presidential candidates, the men engaged in a feisty 90-minute clash ... With polls showing a tight race, there was little room for error as the candidates sought to shore up their base support while reaching out to the small number of undecided voters. In a sense, the debate was six years in the making as the two men entered the closing stretch of their rematch race. Throughout the debate, Feingold claimed that Johnson 'didn't have a plan' on issues. Johnson fired back, 'Senator Feingold' is always going to have a plan to grow government." "I will stand with the people of this state," Feingold said. "Senator Johnson stands with the corporations, the billionaires and the multi-millionaires." In rebuttal, Johnson said he "understands what it's like to work": "I'm the working man," he said. "I've worked hard all my life."



A pan handler sits with a "Give me \$1 or I'm voting for Trump" sign in Manhattan. (Carlo Allegri)

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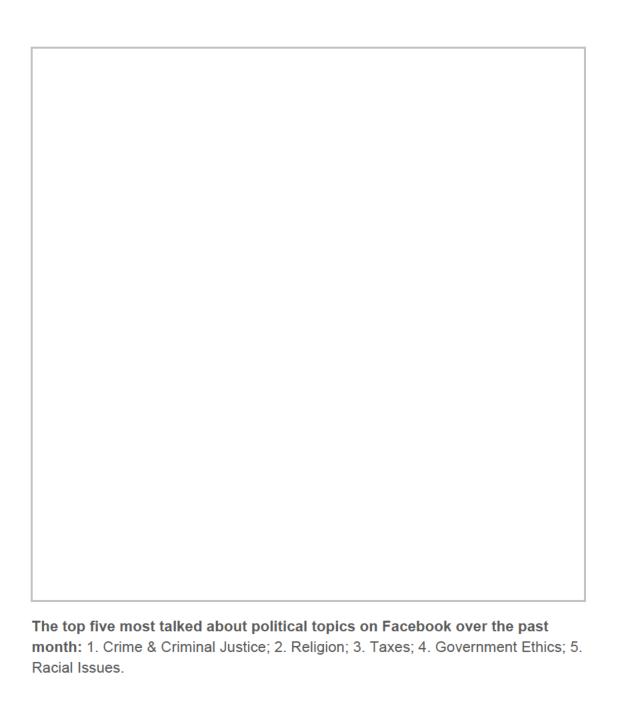
-- A Wisconsin woman was arrested after she spread peanut butter on 30 cars that she believed belonged to Trump supporters. But it turns out the cars actually belonged to members of a local conservation club! "Witnesses said 32-year-old Christina Ferguson stormed into the club meeting on Monday night, holding what a Portage County deputy's report described as a 'family-size jar of low-sodium, creamy natural Jif," HuffPost reports. "Officers

said Ferguson grew emotional as she explained how much she loved Clinton and hated Trump. She then explained why she'd misused peanut butter. 'Peanut butter is better than fire-bombing,' the officer quoted her as saying. She added that Trump wants to fire-bomb everybody in other countries."

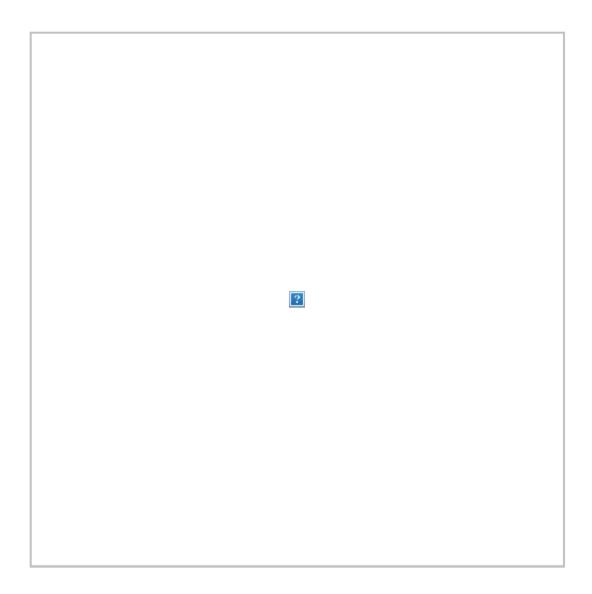
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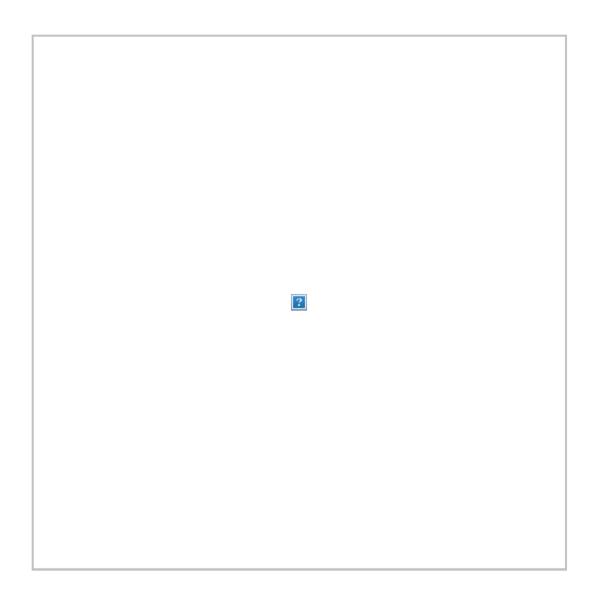
Over 62 million people on Facebook in the U.S. posted about, shared, liked or commented on content related to Trump over 931 million times in the last month. The chart below shows the unique number of people on Facebook engaging in the conversation about each candidate – as well as the number of interactions those people generated. Interactions represents the total aggregate number of likes, posts, comments and shares made about a particular candidate within the timeframe. The interactions figure includes not only the activity on the candidate's page, but all of the likes, posts, comments and shares about that candidate from throughout Facebook:



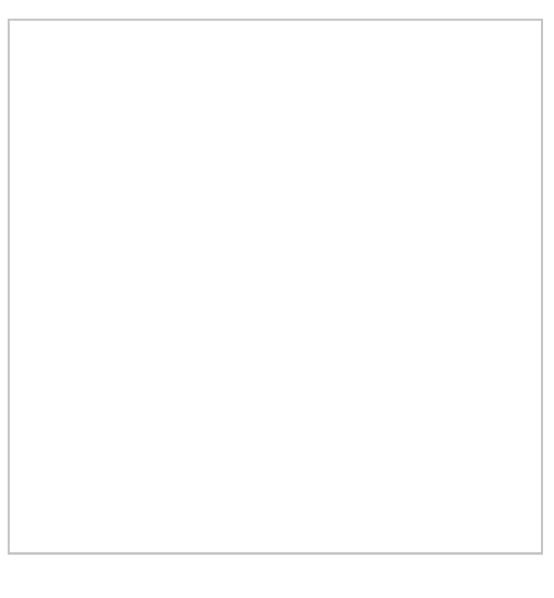
The Onion is on the lookout for late-breaking Trump news:



Coming soon to a Las Vegas billboard:

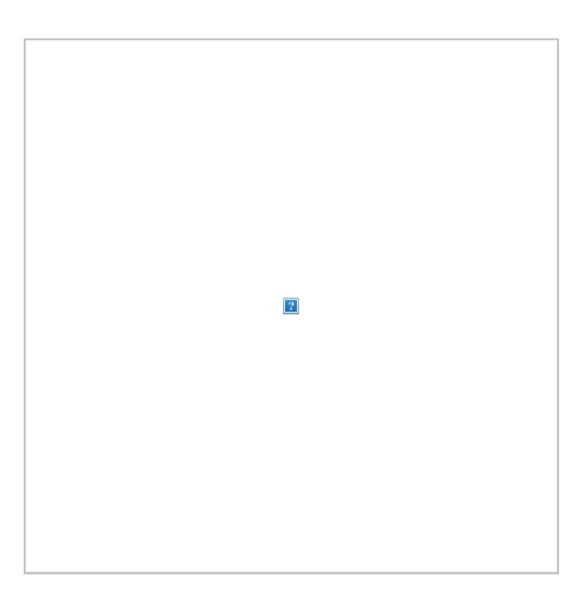


Fox's Sean Hannity and CNN's Brian Stelter went back-and-forth on the issue of voter fraud:

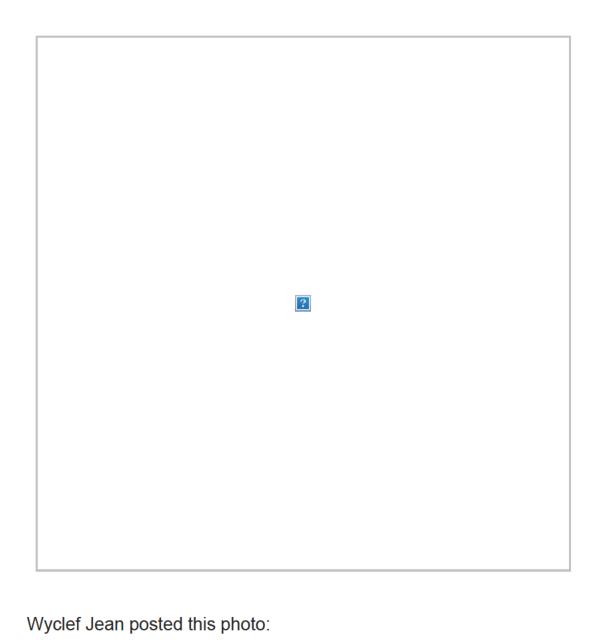


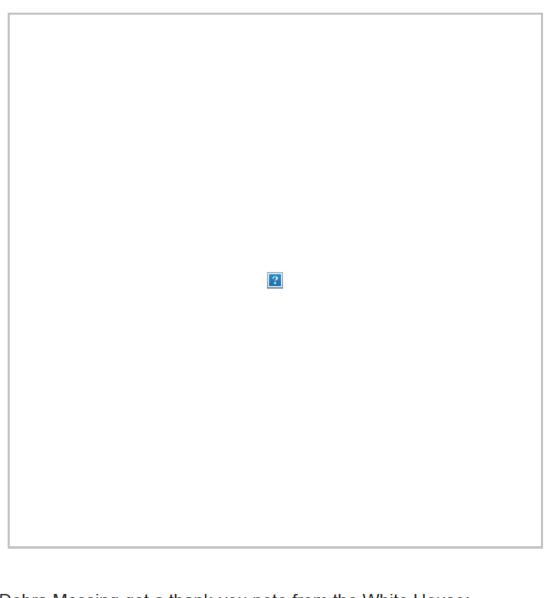
Mike Pence observed some of the damage from the firebombing in North Carolina and called it "an act of political terrorism":

Vogue endorsed Clinton, making the first ever political endorsement in the magazine's history. "We understand that Clinton has not always been a perfect candidate, yet her fierce intelligence and considerable experience are reflected in policies and positions that are clear, sound and hopeful," the magazine's editors write.

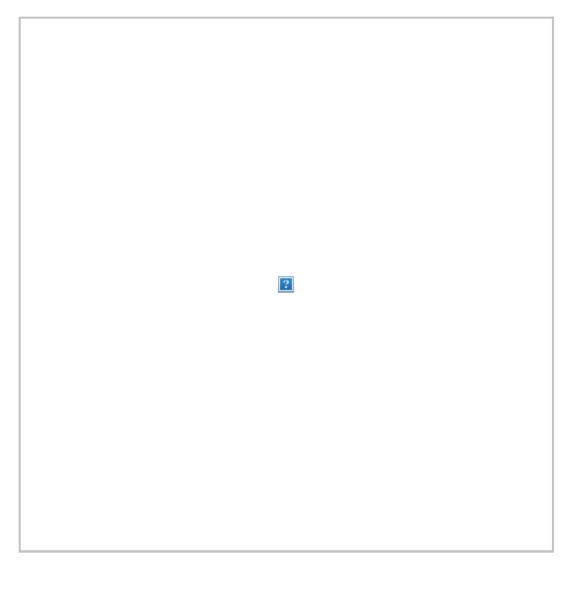


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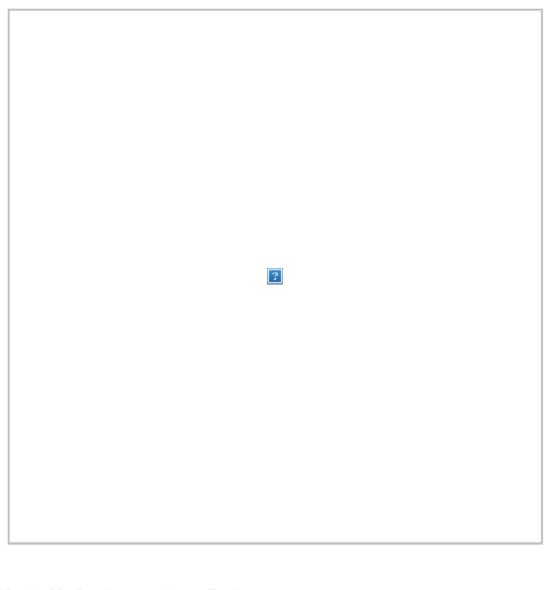




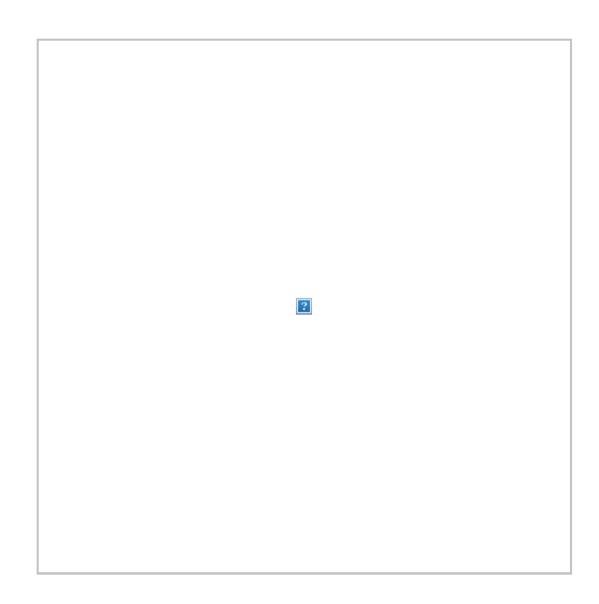
Debra Messing got a thank-you note from the White House:



Jason Chaffetz took this selfie while camping:



Kevin McCarthy went to a Dodgers game:



GOOD READS FROM ELSEWHERE:

Target These Days," by Dave Itzkoff: "Why does David Letterman have a beard? To put it more precisely: Why did Mr. Letterman, after stepping down from CBS's 'Late Show' and a 33-year career ... spend the past year and a half cultivating a fleecy and prodigious mound of facial hair ...? Did he grow these imposing bristles to keep the world at bay while he withdrew into retirement?" Was it his way of saying he was no longer the man who had spent 6,000 evenings reading Top 10 lists and interviewing 20,000 guests? Actually, he

explained, 'I just got tired of shaving every day, but then it became something else, and I'm not quite sure what it became.' In his dry Midwestern delivery, tinged with a new and unaccustomed element of wistfulness, he said: 'The beard is a good reminder to me that that was a different life. I'm hopeful that I will either find something else, or something else will be presented to me.' ... With years of vitality left, he has been trying, since his 'Late Show' farewell in May 2015, to figure out what his next step should be."

- -- National security reporter Walter Pincus prepared a list of pressing foreign policy questions that Trump and Clinton should answer in tonight's debate. Some highlights from his column for the Cipher Brief:
 - For Trump, on Russia: "At the last debate, despite your being briefed by intelligence analysts and after Director of National Intelligence James Clapper publicly identified Russia as doing the hacking, you said [Clinton] 'doesn't know if it's the Russians doing the hacking,' and then added, 'Maybe there is no hacking.' Do you not trust the U.S. intelligence community determination ... that the Russians are behind the hacking of the [DNC] emails?"
 - For Clinton, on Syria: "You are advocating a no-fly zone and safe zones. Define just what would be involved on the part of the U.S. and its allies – including forces in the air and on the ground [for protection] ... Would you seek congressional authorization to use American armed forces which will have to strike at Syrian government targets, something normally considered an act of war?"

For Trump, on Syria: On Oct. 9, you said "Syria is no longer Syria. Syria is Russia and it's Iran.' You also said Assad forces and the Russians in Syria were fighting ISIS, and implied if you were president you would no longer support any anti-Assad forces. Instead you would join with the Russians, Iranians and Assad regime in fighting ISIS. Would that be your policy for Syria? And if the Assad regime, supported by Russian and Iranian military forces, attempted to regain control over all of Syria, would you stand aside and let that happen?"

HOT ON THE LEFT

HOT ON THE RIGHT

Two little known but influential Democratic operatives lost their jobs after edited footage from a video sting by conservative activist James O'Keefe found them entertaining "dark notions" about how to win elections. From Dave Weigel: "Footage from the video shows [Scott] Foval, a Wisconsin-based politico with a long resume, bragging about a litary of political dirty tricks. In the first video, he boasts of 'conflict engagement in the lines of Trump rallies,' takes credit for the violence that canceled a Trump rally at the University of Illinois in Chicago (and) admits

he's paid 'mentally ill'
people to start trouble."
Robert Creamer also
announced he is stepping
down from the work he was
doing for a progressive
consulting group following
release of the tape. On
Tuesday night's episode of
"Hannity," two campaign
representatives said that
the tapes "validated
everything" Trump had said
about the possible threat of
the election being stolen.

DAYBOOK:

On the campaign trail: Trump and Clinton debate in Las Vegas. Tim Kaine speaks in Upper Arlington and Springfield, Ohio and Asheville, N.C.; Bernie Sanders rallies Clinton supporters in Reno, Nev. Pence speaks in Durango, Colo.

At the White House: Obama has no public events scheduled. Biden speaks about the Cancer Moonshot at the SAP Global CEO Summit in New York. Later, he travels to Boston to speak again about the project at the Edward M. Kennedy Institute.

On Capitol Hill: The Senate and House are out.

QUOTE OF THE DAY:

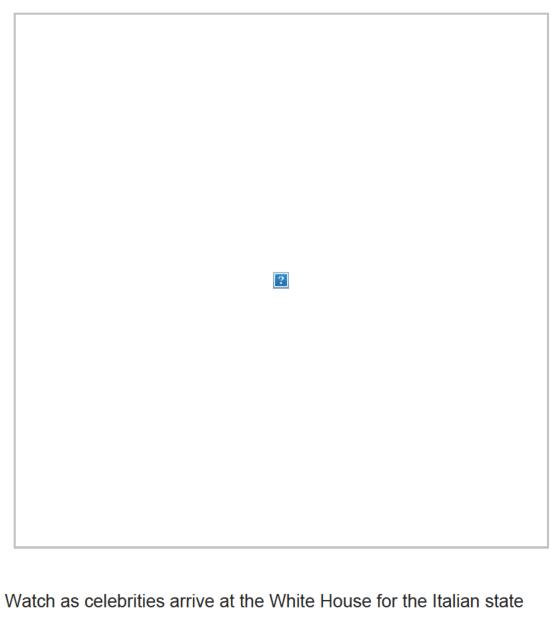
Obama mocked Trump for griping about a rigged election: "You start whining before the game's even over?"

NEWS YOU CAN USE IF YOU LIVE IN D.C.:

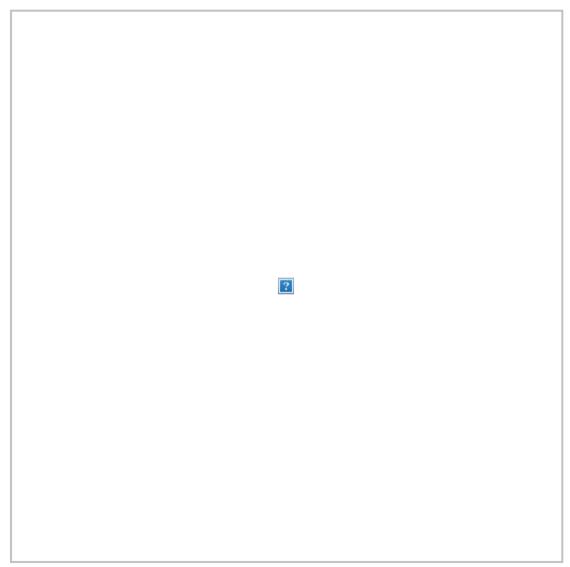
- -- "A solidly summerlike day, with partly to mostly sunny skies and noticeable humidity," the Capital Weather Gang forecasts. "Highs head for the mid-80s, with light winds from the west-southwest around 5-10 mph. The record highs to beat for the day? 88 at DCA, 83 at Dulles, and 82 at BWI."
- -- The Wizards beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 96-91.
- -- The Capitals beat the Colorado Avalanche 3-0
- -- A Richmond federal appeals court agreed to postpone oral arguments in a case over the Washington Redskins' trademark registration, further delaying a long-running case that pits the NFL team against the U.S. patent office and Native Americans groups find the team's name insulting. (lan Shapira)
- -- A high school senior was fatally stabbed on a D.C. Metrobus Tuesday evening, reportedly following a long-running dispute with another young woman over a cell phone. Police said the suspect has been taken into custody and charged. (Peter Hermann)
- -- Marriott International announced plans to relocate its headquarters to downtown Bethesda, deciding to remain in Montgomery County after getting commitment on a \$62 million publicly funded initiative. (Jonathan O'Connell)

VIDEOS OF THE DAY:

Tony Award-winning actress Laura Benanti returned to "The Late								
Show With Stephen Colbert" last night to reprise her spot-on								
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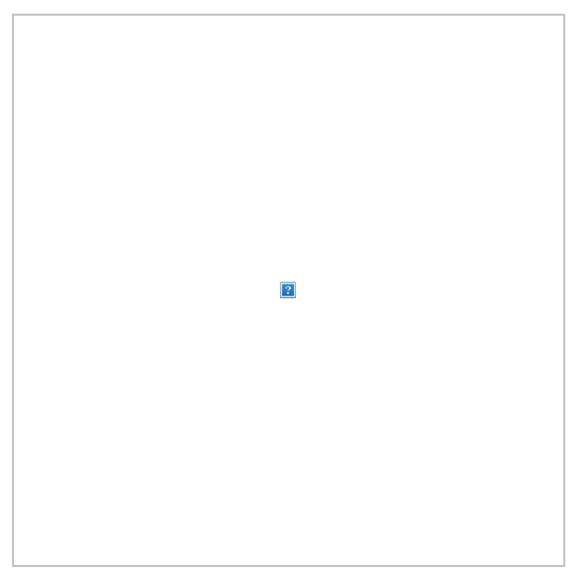


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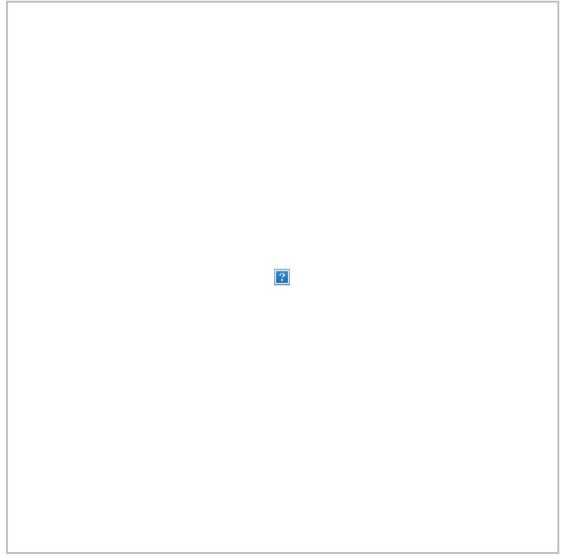
Celebrities arrive for Italian state dinner

"Dreamer" Juan Salazar, who came to the U.S. when he was seven, contemplates what's at stake in this election for him and his undocumented family members:



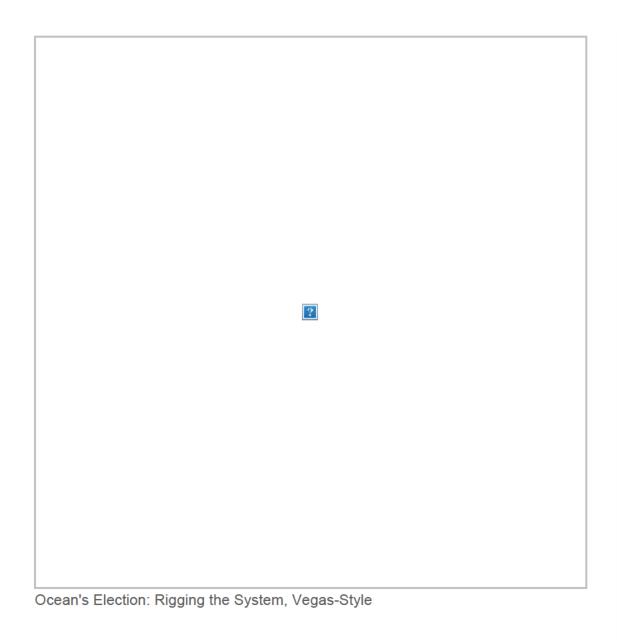
A family in fear: 'Us being separated...is just devastating'

Judy Shepard, whose son Matthew Shepard was murdered in Laramie, Wyoming, in 1998, because he was gay, cut a 1-minute spot for the Clinton Super PAC Priorities USA. "I know what can happen as the result of hate," she says to camera. "So when I see the hate that Donald Trump has brought to his campaign for president, it terrifies me. … Words have an influence, violence causes pain, hate can rip us apart. I know what can happen as the result of hate, and Donald Trump should never be our president."

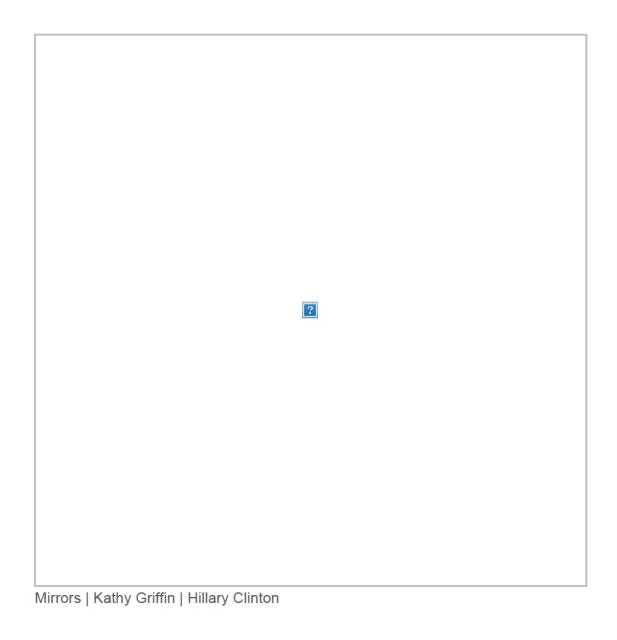


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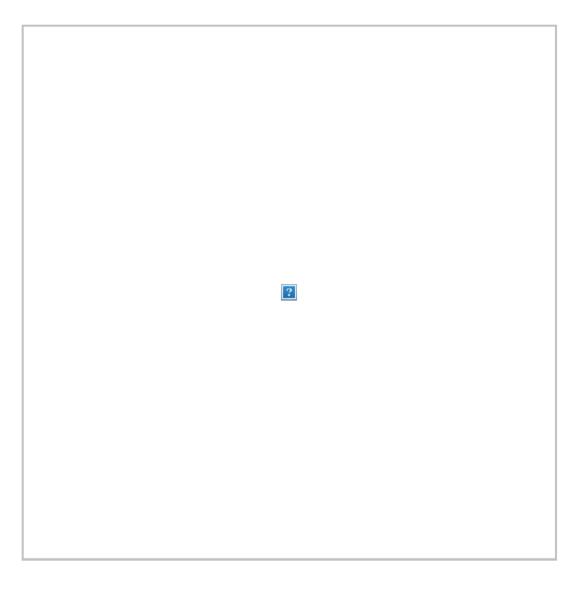
Bloomberg made an Ocean's Eleven-style explainer about whether the election is rigged:



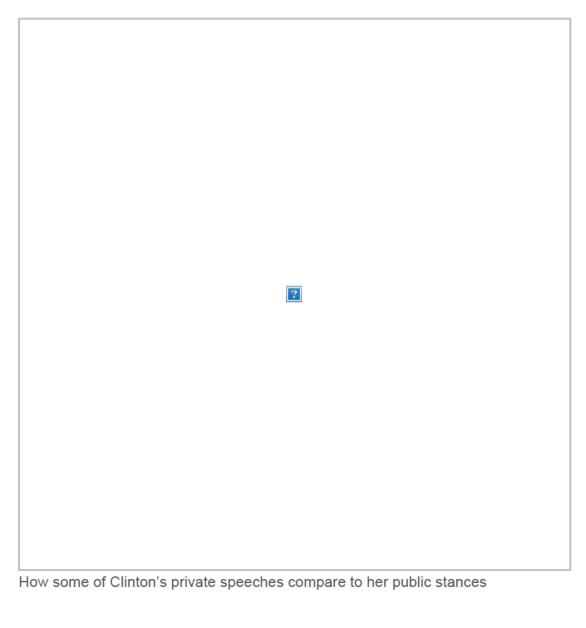
Kathy Griffin taped a video against Trump (warning: profanity):



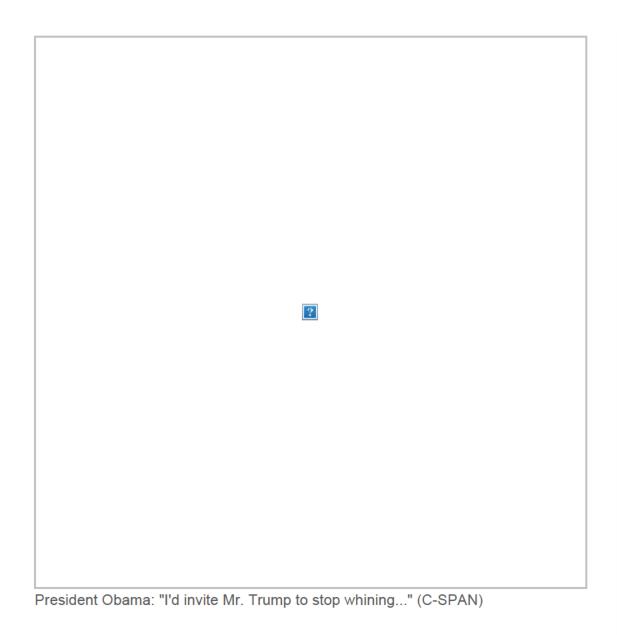
Viceland also used adult language in this Instagram video against Trump:



Compare some of what Clinton says in her stump speech to what she told Goldman Sachs bankers behind closed doors:



Watch Obama speak about Trump's "whining":



Finally, in this video, Canadians tell Americans why our country is already great:

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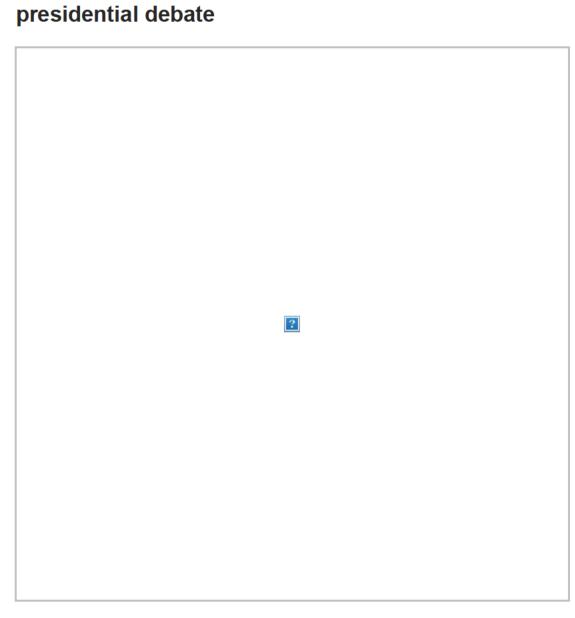
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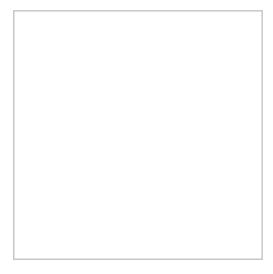
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The Supreme Court will be a focus of tonight's



Donald Trump's plane passes Hillary Clinton's plane at McCarran International Airport yesterday. The candidates have come to Las Vegas for their third and final debate. (Brendan Smialowski/AFP/Getty Images)



With Breanne Deppisch

THE BIG IDEA: The Supreme Court is one of six main topics that will be covered during tonight's final debate at the University of Nevada in Las Vegas. The late Antonin Scalia's seat continues to sit empty. An evenly-divided court has begun its new term under a cloud of uncertainty. Assuming Hillary Clinton wins, it remains unclear whether Republicans will try to confirm Merrick Garland during the lame-duck session to prevent her from putting up someone who is younger and more liberal next year.

The debate took on new significance this week when John

McCain boasted during a radio interview that Republicans would automatically oppose whomever Clinton nominates. "I promise you that we will be united against any Supreme Court nominee that Hillary Clinton, if she were president, would put up," the Arizona senator said. "I promise you!"

Attacked by his Democratic challenger, McCain's spokeswoman released a statement walking back his comment. The senator will "thoroughly examine the record of any Supreme Court nominee put

before the Senate," she said. McCain then <u>awkwardly avoided</u> a local TV reporter who tried to follow up.

Republicans, who have struggled to convince voters that they are capable of governing, talked a big game in years past about the need to be more than just "the party of no." That messaging is gone now. The prospect of four more years in the wilderness suggests that they will move back toward unapologetic obstruction.

Right now, however, they are in damage control mode. Judiciary Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley, who is up for reelection in lowa, promised yesterday to not automatically "stonewall" any Clinton pick. "If that new president happens to be Hillary, we can't just simply stonewall," Grassley said on a conference call with local press.

This is a very delicate balancing act. Vulnerable Republican incumbents are trying to convince people who are reluctantly voting for Clinton to support them by promising that they'll be a check and balance on the excesses of the Clinton presidency. One man's "check and balance," however, is another man's "obstruction." Regardless of how you play it, the bottom line is that Republicans are trying to save their majority by promising more gridlock.

If Republicans hold the Senate, Mitch McConnell will control the floor schedule and Grassley will continue to have the Judiciary gavel. So they technically could do exactly what they have for the past nine months with Garland.

Democrats are now favored to win the Senate majority. Even if they run the table, however, they'll only control around 53 seats.

That is nowhere near filibuster proof. The question then becomes: Which Republicans would cross over to vote for a President Clinton's SCOTUS picks? Could a Majority Leader Chuck Schumer cobble together 60 votes? Or does he invoke the nuclear option and change the rules to allow Supreme Court nominees to be confirmed by a simple majority? Going nuclear will probably be the easier course, both politically and procedurally, especially because the Republican blockade of Garland has cost GOP leaders much of their moral standing to oppose such a gambit.

Contrary to the will of the brilliant men who devised the Constitution, the Senate is increasingly becoming a majoritarian institution. Conservatives, who in principle should be alarmed by this trend, have shortsightedly accelerated it.

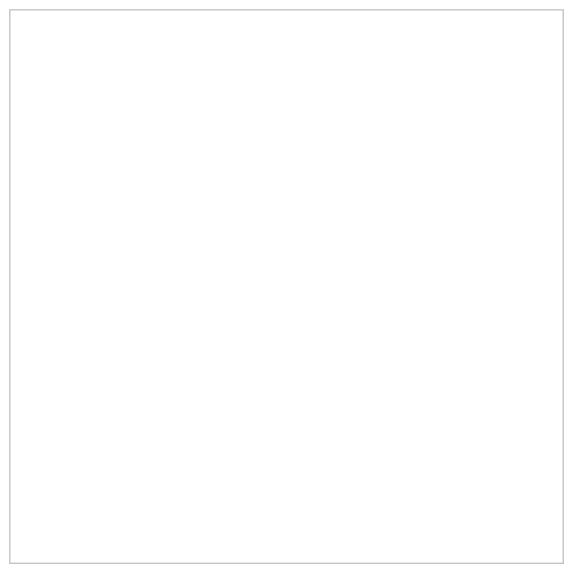


for the debate last night at UNLV. (David Goldman/AP)

-- There are two very important SCOTUS questions that the candidates have avoided giving direct answers to:

Will Clinton re-nominate Garland? Watch for her to once again dodge on this. She's called him "extremely well qualified," and she's relying heavily on Barack Obama to get her across the finish line in November. The president sees getting Garland through during the lame-duck as a top priority and a legacy achievement, but Clinton privately wants to pick someone who is younger and more liberal than the 63-year-old moderate.

Will Trump commit to nominating only people who are on his list of 21 potential picks? Aides have said the list is definitive, but the reality TV star has suggested during interviews that he might go another direction. And he has a very long history of not being true to his word. A few of the people Trump floated have chastised him. Utah Sen. Mike Lee, on the second installment of Trump's list, subsequently called on the GOP nominee to drop out. And, amusingly, federal appellate court Judge Diane Sykes (who was in the first batch of names released by Trump) ruled earlier this month against Mike Pence. She said the Indiana governor cannot interfere with the distribution of federal funds to resettle Syrian refugees in his state.



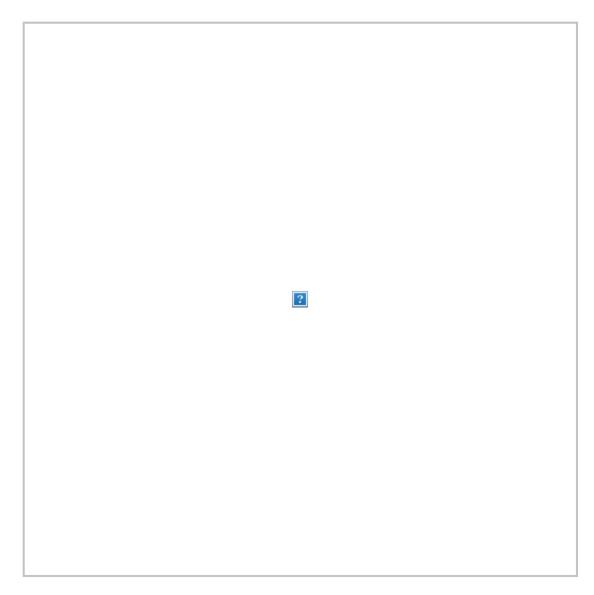
Trump speaks in Grand Junction, Colorado. (George Frey/Getty)

-- For many conservative intellectuals, stopping Clinton from appointing Scalia's replacement is no longer a good enough reason to support Trump. Among the Republican politicians who have capitulated, such as Ted Cruz, holding the Scalia seat is a favorite talking point to justify supporting someone who they privately see as dangerously authoritarian. But 29 top conservative legal scholars have signed onto a letter arguing that it is not enough. The "Originalists against Trump" do not believe Trump would protect the Constitution. And they do not trust him to actually pick from his list of

21. "More importantly, we do not trust him to respect constitutional limits in the rest of his conduct in office, of which judicial nominations are only one part," they write. The group understands that the alternative is Clinton. "Yet our country's commitment to its Constitution is not so fragile that it can be undone by a single administration or a single court," they conclude. (Read the full letter here.)

Our Robert Barnes notes that the signatories include a Northwestern law professor who was one of the founders of the Federalist Society, Steven G. Calabresi; Post columnist George F. Will; and a well-regarded conservative law professor at New York University and the University of Chicago, Richard Epstein. "The effort was organized by Duke University law professor Stephen E. Sachs and University of Chicago law professor William Baude, a pair of former clerks to Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr."

Something to ponder: Will Roberts vote for Trump? He obviously wants to regain his working majority, but he also hails from Indiana – just like Gonzalo Curiel, the federal judge whom Trump leveled repeated, racially-loaded attacks against. We'll never know...

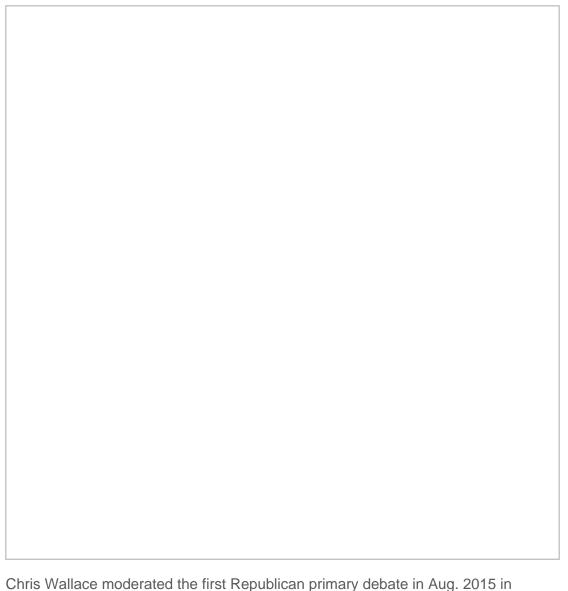


Bill greets Melania before the start of the last debate. (Paul J. Richards/AFP/Getty Images)

MORE ON WHAT TO EXPECT IN VEGAS TONIGHT:

- -- The <u>other five topics</u> that will get covered from 9 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Eastern are immigration, entitlements/debt, the economy, foreign policy and each candidate's "fitness" to serve as president.
- -- Trump's scorched-earth strategy continues. He is bringing as his guests Obama's estranged half-brother Malik and the mother

- of a Benghazi victim who has accused Clinton of "murdering" her son. It is unclear whether the campaign will reveal more surprise guests today. Clinton is bringing billionaires Mark Cuban and Meg Whitman in an effort to rattle Trump over his wealth. (Jose DelReal)
- -- Clinton spent much of this week off the trail preparing for their final showdown, a strategy which Trump mocked at a Colorado rally. He told supporters she was actually at home resting instead. "You know what the debate prep is? It's resting. It's lying down, going to sleep," he said. (Jenna Johnson)
- -- The Clinton campaign has requested that Bill and Melania do not shake hands before tonight's debate. Last time, Trump planned to parade three women who accused Clinton of sexual assault into the family seating area and force the former president to shake their hands as he crossed the room. (Jeremy Peters and Maggie Haberman, The New York Times)



Chris Wallace moderated the first Republican primary debate in Aug. 2015 in Cleveland. (Aaron Josefczyk/Reuters)

-- "Chris Wallace's Debate Role Is a Bright Spot in a Dark Year for Fox," by the New York Times's Michael Grynbaum: Chris is the first Fox journalist to take charge of a general election face-off. "It would be the most consequential night of Fox News's year — if the network had not just endured the most traumatic period in its two-decade history. [For] the team of Fox anchors and producers (in Vegas) this week, Mr. Wallace's star turn is a welcome source of pride. And, maybe, some relief. The selection of Mr. Wallace, a veteran broadcaster with a reputation for tough, mischief-making

questions, was particularly bolstering for Fox's news division, which has viewed itself as an unfairly maligned alternative to the network's stable of conservative commentators like Mr. Hannity and Bill O'Reilly."

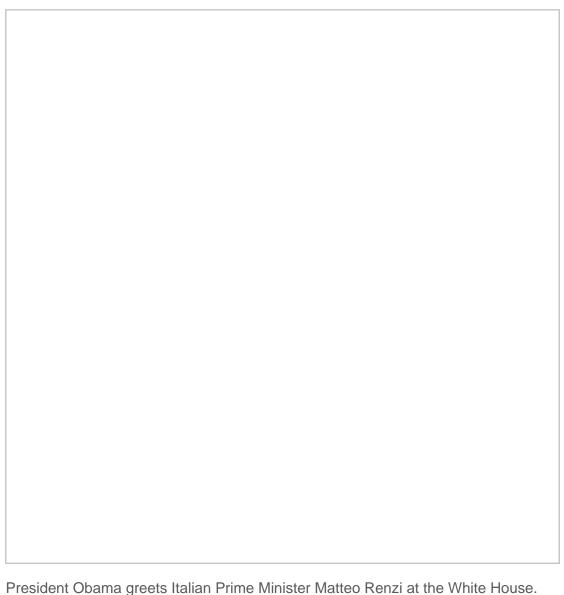
- -- Politico's Glenn Thrush preemptively declares that "Clinton will be on the defensive": "Trump's fitness to lead has, rightly, been the major focus of his conventionally lousy first debate and the national disgrace of his second one. But here's some good news for him! Trump has done such a masterful job of handing Clinton the election that the inevitable focus now is on her! America wants, demands, that final kick-the-tires test, as Barack Obama said of the process and significant questions remain about her honesty, integrity, judgment and trustworthiness. ... Beatings, like bossa novas, have a predictable rhythm. Trump's beating (however deserved or self-inflicted) has gone on for too long in terms of the cyclical attention span of modern media, and it's simply Hillary's turn."
- -- Trump's odds of turning around his campaign tonight are steep, the Boston Globe's Matt Viser posits: "Clinton arrives in Las Vegas for the final debate like a poker player holding a full house, confident and careful. Trump is furiously raising his bet, acting as if he's holding a hot hand, when polls say all he's got is a pair of jacks."
- -- Republicans are praying that Trump does not once again take
 Clinton's bait, per the Wall Street Journal's Michael Bender and
 Laura Meckler: "Democrats want Clinton to articulate a positive
 vision for the country, rising above the allegations of sexual
 misconduct and dishonesty that have permeated this election year. ...

Republicans say Trump needs to focus on his popular antiestablishment message and avoid placing any more attention on controversies over his treatment of women or rifts with fellow Republicans. 'For once he needs to make this a race that's not just about him,' said GOP consultant and former Romney adviser Kevin Madden. 'Clinton wants this race to be a referendum on Trump and his lack of temperament, and every time she lays the bait he never disappoints in taking it."

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WHILE YOU WERE SLEEPING:



President Obama greets Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi at the White House. (EPA/Michael Reynolds)

-- President Obama hosted his final state dinner, honoring Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi and his wife at a celebratory -- yet nostalgic -- reception. "If there was a collective emotion that defined the night it'd be a mix of joy and pain," Helena Andrews-Dyer and Emily Heil wrote. "Everyone involved in the Obamas' last black tie gala felt it. From guest chef Mario Batali, who said that knowing this dinner is the last adds its own brand of pride and pressure, to the president himself, who called the swanky swan song 'a bittersweet moment.' Held in a tent on the South Lawn dripping with chandeliers

and dotted with mirrored tables to conjure up the Italian 'fresco' technique, the evening featured a stroll through the first lady's kitchen garden ... a four-course meal prepared by Batali and a performance by Gwen Stefani ... But despite the night's obvious symbolism as a denouement the dinner's guests probably took the opening lines of the president's traditional toast to heart: 'In the immortal words of a great Italian American, Yogi Berra, 'It ain't over 'till it's over.'"

The Obamas rewarded many of their most loyal staffers with seats at the dinner. Among the 380 guests were the first lady's hair stylist, makeup artist, and personal trainer...

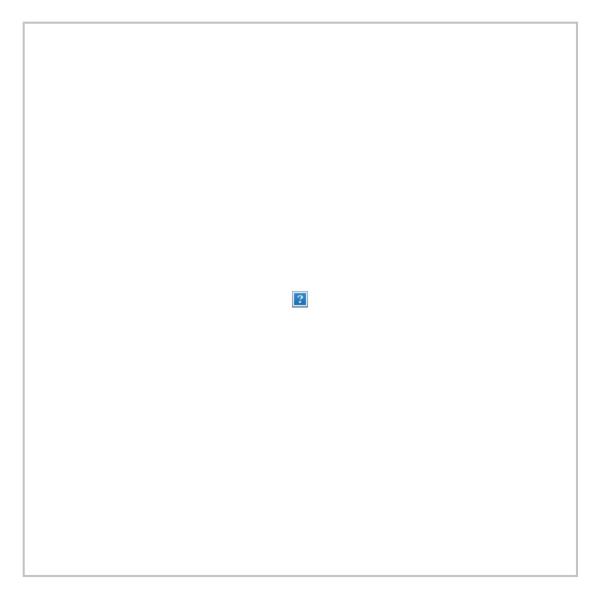
FLOTUS wore a custom rose-gold chain-mail gown from Atelier Versace. It was a slinky gown with an asymmetrical neckline that slithered like liquid metal down her torso and around her hips. "It was pure Hollywood glamour," writes Fashion Critic Robin Givhan.



-- Ecuador acknowledged that it "temporarily restricted" the Internet access of WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange at its United Kingdom embassy after WikiLeaks posted John Podesta's emails. A foreign ministry statement said that while it stands by its decision in 2012 to grant Assange asylum, it doesn't interfere in foreign elections. The ministry didn't specify the extent of the restrictions on Assange's cyber access, saying only that the limitations wouldn't affect WikiLeaks's ability to carry out its journalistic activities. Do not forget: Assange is hiding out in the

embassy to avoid facing trial for alleged sexual assault. (Nick Miroff)

- -- Marco Rubio urged Trump and the RNC to stop attacking Clinton over hacked emails published by Wikileaks: "As our intelligence agencies have said, these leaks are an effort by a foreign government to interfere with our electoral process and I will not indulge it," Rubio told ABC News's Jon Karl in an interview. "Further, I want to warn my fellow Republicans who may want to capitalize politically on these leaks: Today it is the Democrats. Tomorrow it could be us."
- -- Speaking of insecure email servers, Trump lives in a glass house. From Mother Jones' Joseph Cox: "A researcher has found that a number of email servers linked to [Trump's] hotel and others businesses are running horribly out of date software which receive no security patches, and are lacking other precautions for keeping hackers out." A number of mail servers for TrumpOrg.com, a domain registered to The Trump Organization, are using end-of-life software, including the operating system Windows Server 2003 and IIS 6.0. "Running outdated software and operating systems for your publicly facing email infrastructure is problematic, especially when you're a high profile organisation," said security architect Kevin Beaumont. "During an election where cybersecurity is such a big issue, I was a little amazed at what I saw."



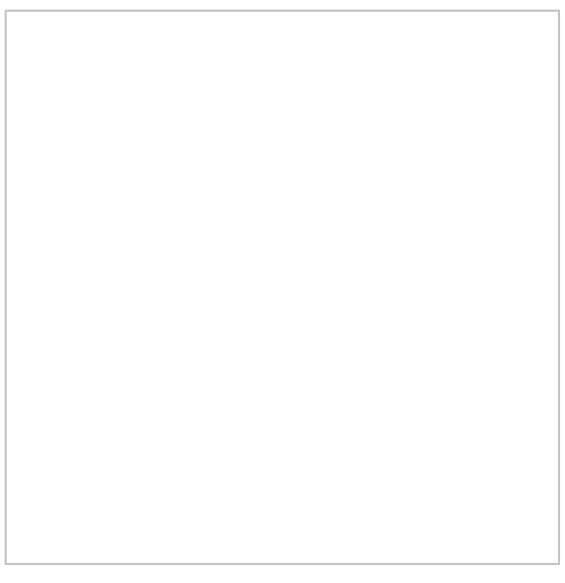
Filipino villagers gather as they prepare for a super typhoon that may hit their village. (EPA)

GET SMART FAST:

 A dangerous super typhoon is spinning like a table saw towards the Philippines, barreling down with Category-5 level winds of 160 mph. Local emergency managers are warning storm surge could exceed 15 feet when it makes landfall. The storm's arrival comes just days after another typhoon struck the country, killing at least two people. (Angela Fritz)

- A former Arkansas judge has been arrested and accused of giving lenient sentences to male defendants in exchange for sexual favors – soliciting at least nine men between the ages of 16 and 22 for what he referred to as "community service." (Kristine Guerra)
- 3. A magistrate judge delivered a victory to a transgender high school student in Illinois, allowing her to continue to use a bathroom and locker room corresponding with her gender identity. (Derek Hawkins)
- 4. More police officers have been killed in the line of duty so far this year than all of last year combined. But federal statistics also show that being a law enforcement officer has continually gotten safer over the last four decades. Since the 1970s, the death toll for cops decreased by more than half. (Mark Berman)
- Warring parties in Yemen agreed to a 72-hour ceasefire. The U.N. hopes the temporary truce will lead to a "permanent and lasting end" to the conflict. (AP)
- 6. A new lawsuit accuses public schools in Flint, Mich., of failing to meet obligations to screen children for lead exposure. The complaint alleges that the city's public school system has also failed to provide critical services and interventions to counter the effects of lead exposure. (Emma Brown)
- 7. The University of Maryland agreed to hire more staff to address sexual assault on campus, after reports that a faculty shortage was slowing down open investigations. Student government leaders proposed a student fee to help fund the office. (Susan Svrluga)

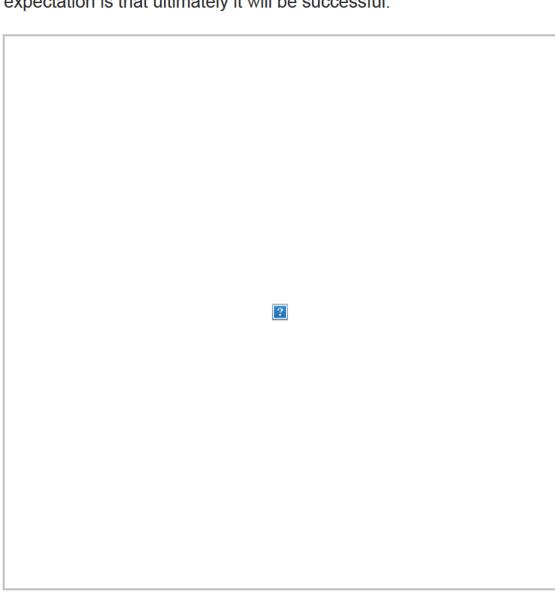
- 8. Samsung is setting up pop-up phone exchange booths at airports across the country, allowing busy travelers to trade in Galaxy 7 smartphones that were recently banned from all U.S. flights. But it's unclear what devices the kiosks will offer in replacement and, as Hayley Tsukayama notes, a crowded airport is probably not the ideal place to make such a major purchase.
- 9. The Transylvania castle that inspired the "Dracula" novels will be open to two brave souls on Halloween night, thanks to an Airbnb contest. Winners will spend the night in the 14th century digs, eating by candlelight and sleeping in velvet-lined coffins. (Cleve R. Wootson Jr.)



Members of the Iraqi Special Operations Forces outside Mosul today. (Azad Lashkari/Reuters)

-- A dispatch from the front lines --> "Evidence of a 'difficult fight' ahead as forces move toward ISIS-held Mosul," by Kareem Fahim and Loveday Morris: "To defend a few miles of unremarkable road in northern Iraq, flanked by farmland, the occasional factory and flyspeck hamlets and villages, the Islamic State militants seemed to spare no effort. They loaded a Volkswagen with explosives and secreted remote-detonated bombs ... They burned tires and dug large tunnels in houses ... The arsenal ultimately failed to protect the militants. But it seemed to slow down the action, tying up a large

contingent of Iraqi soldiers as they tried to clear the road and villages of booby traps, a few wearying feet at a time. There were still 12 grueling miles left to travel before reaching the city's outskirts. The struggle for Mosul ... is the largest and most complex so far in the battle against [ISIS] militants, who have been digging in for a fight. Residents who have recently fled the area ... say the Islamic State has been erecting concrete barricades and filling trenches with oil that can be set on fire to slow advancing forces. 'It's going to be a tough fight and a difficult fight,' Obama said on Tuesday. 'But my expectation is that ultimately it will be successful.'"



Makia Nunes, moments after she became a U.S. citizen yesterday, kisses a cardboard cutout of Hillary. She registered to vote immediately after her Naturalization Ceremony in Los Angeles. (Frederic J. Brown/AFP/Getty Images)

THE RACE CONTINUES TO MOVE AWAY FROM TRUMP:

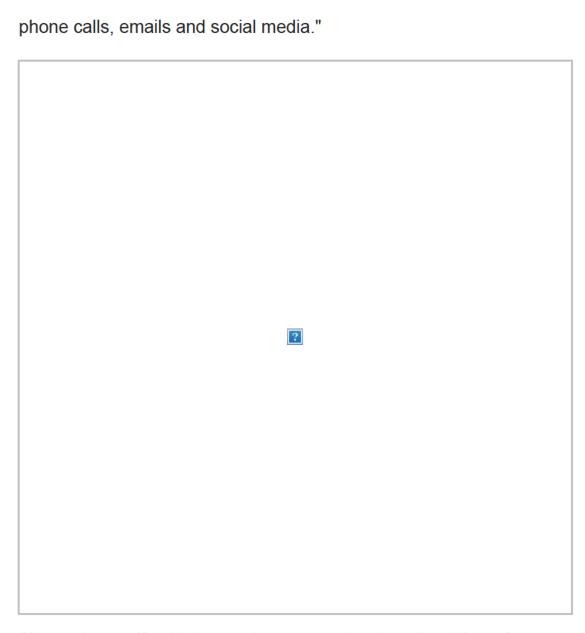
- -- The chairman of a pro-Trump super PAC, Ed Rollins, told Laura Ingraham that it "would take a miracle at this point" for Trump to win.
- -- Pre-spinning the loss, Trump campaign manager Kellyanne
 Conway says she cannot believe Clinton is not winning by a
 bigger margin given her numerous built-in advantages: "She has
 endless money. She's got a lot of the media. She has a very popular
 president and first lady campaigning for her," Conway told Anderson
 Cooper. "I will tell you, I am mystified as to why she can't get to those
 52, 53 percent numbers in some of these states given the
 disadvantages we're handed every day."
- -- Las Vegas bookies now have Clinton as a six-to-one favorite.
- -- A Washington Post/Survey Monkey poll of 15 battleground states gives Clinton a "decisive advantage" over Trump in the competition for Electoral College votes. From Dan Balz and Scott Clement: "Based on the results ... along with assumptions of the likely outcomes in other states that have consistently voted for one party or the other, [Clinton] holds leads of four percentage points or more among likely voters in states that add up to 304 electoral votes. Trump, [meanwhile], has the advantage in states with an estimated electoral vote total of 138. Arizona, Florida, Ohio and Texas, which account for 96 electoral votes, remain as toss-ups."

Down-ballot Republicans continue to outperform Trump in our survey: "Democrats need a net gain of five seats to take outright control -- four to exercise control if Clinton becomes president. The results showed Democrats with leads of four or more points in three states with GOP incumbents: New Hampshire, North Carolina and Wisconsin. Republican incumbents lead in Florida and Ohio, in the latter by a wide margin. Meanwhile, races in Nevada, for a seat currently held by Democrats, and Pennsylvania, for a seat now in Republican hands, continue to be close."

- -- A <u>Bloomberg Politics poll</u> shows Clinton with a 9 point national lead (50-41). The two tied last month. Trump is losing support among both men and those without college degrees. "This poll shows movement toward Clinton with all the right groups it takes to win," said pollster J. Ann Selzer. "Their alignment with Clinton is a formidable change in the algebra."
- -- An Arizona Republic/Arizona State University poll shows
 Clinton AHEAD in ARIZONA by 5 points. Waning support for the
 Republican nominee does not appear to have shifted down-ballot,
 however, with McCain leading by 11 points over Democratic
 challenger Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick. Support for the presidential
 candidates also appears to be somewhat baked into the cake,
 with two-thirds of voters saying they were not influenced by the
 previous two debates. Of respondents who indicated the debate
 was influential, 16 percent said they were more likely to back Clinton.
 9 percent said the same of Trump.
- -- The <u>University of Houston</u> finds Trump is only ahead by 3 points in Texas (41-38).

- -- St. Norbert College shows Clinton leading by 8 points in Wisconsin (47-39).
- -- Monmouth University puts Clinton up 7 points in Nevada (47-40). Her surge in the state is largely attributed to younger, non-white voters moving into her column over the past month.
- -- A Fox News national poll shows Clinton up 6 points (45-39).
- -- The Japanese newspaper Asahi Shimbun conducted a poll asking which candidate people thought would be more appropriate as the U.S. president. They found that only 3 percent of Japanese picked Trump, while 73 percent preferred Clinton.

 The rest had no opinion. The wording is non-traditional, but WaPo pollster Scott Clement checked out the paper's methodology and says it is legit. This will not surprise close poll watchers. Previous international surveys have found Trump to be exceptionally unpopular.
- -- Fear of an imminent terrorist attack is one of the top concerns of people across the globe, with most expecting extremist groups will acquire weapons of mass destruction, according to a new poll conducted in eight countries. From Carol Morello: "The survey, commissioned by the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), showed that many people think their governments are not doing enough to combat violent extremism. And a majority in every country polled, including the United States, overwhelmingly approved all 21 options presented to them among them, requiring identification cards for citizens and visitors; rigorous screening of immigrants; bans on incendiary religious speech; and monitoring of



Clinton takes a selfie with the crowd at a voter registration rally at Wayne State University in Detroit. (Reuters/Lucy Nicholson)

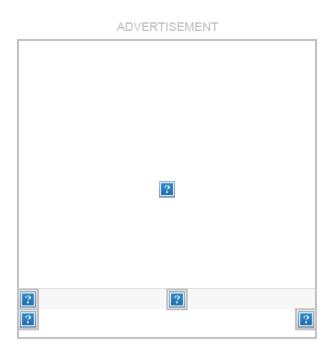
THE DAILY HILLARY:

-- Former FBI agent Brian McCauley pushed back on allegations of a "quid pro quo." He confirmed that he spoke to a top State Department official about changing the classified status of one of Clinton's emails, as well as a long-standing FBI request for additional staffing in U.S. embassies, but he denied that any

Zapotosky, McCauley acknowledged that he offered to do a favor in exchange for another favor, but before he had any inkling of what Kennedy wanted. "I said, 'Absolutely not, I can't help you,' and he took that, and it was fine," said McCauley, who was the FBI's deputy assistant director for international operations from 2012 to 2015. McCauley said that when he learned the missive concerned the attack on the U.S. diplomatic facility in Benghazi, Libya, he told Kennedy he could not help him. "I said, 'Absolutely not, I can't help you,' and he took that, and it was fine," said McCauley, who was the FBI's deputy assistant director for international operations from 2012 to 2015.

- -- "Black activists and organizers, frustrated with the Clinton campaign's inability to engage young voters, have taken it upon themselves to challenge their peers to consider the consequences if Republicans take the White House," Vanessa Williams reports. "They also have encouraged young voters to focus on state and local elections, because those officials make decisions about how police departments and schools are run, issues that more directly affect their lives. Younger African Americans, like many millennials, are not excited about this year's presidential election ... [but] because Trump's campaign has laid bare racist attitudes, the seeming indifference of black millennials to the election has sparked broad discussion within the African American community."
- -- Seventy Nobel Laureates endorsed Clinton, arguing that her election is "crucial for safeguarding freedom and preserving a constitutional government." Signatories include world-renowned

experts in science, medicine and economics, such as chemist Peter Agre, economist Robert Shiller, and physicist Robert Woodrow Wilson. Separately, a group of 140 conservative writers urged voters to reject Trump, calling him "most dangerous to our nation's founding ideals" in an open letter. Several former Republican White House staffers are on the list. (New York Times)





-- An early draft of Clinton's V.P. list: John Podesta in mid-March emailed Clinton a preliminary list of names to consider for her running mate, organized into what he termed "rough food groups." WikiLeaks posted it yesterday, and the Journal wrote it up:

The first group included her **Latino options**, including Secretary of Labor Tom Perez and Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Julián Castro.

The second consisted of **black candidates**, including Cory Booker and Eric Holder.

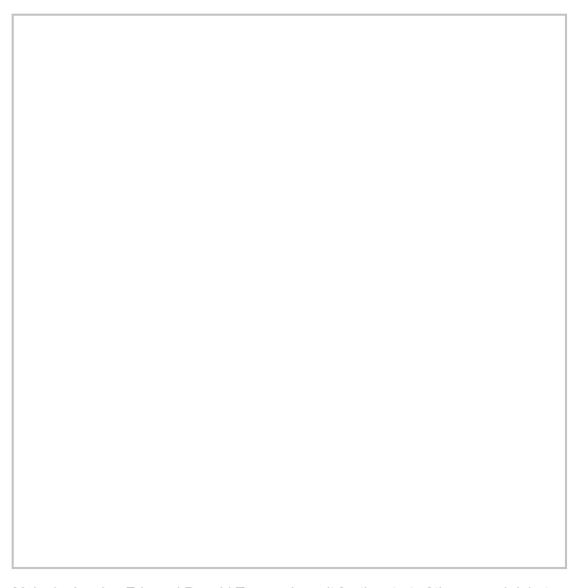
The third was **white men who could help in a swing state**, including Tim Kaine, Terry McAuliffe and Sherrod Brown.

Another section included **seven women**, including Elizabeth Warren and Jeanne Shaheen.

He also suggested **three military names**, including retired Marine Corps Gen. John Allen.

Podesta also floated **corporate options**, including Bill Gates,
Starbucks CEO Howard Schultz, Michael Bloomberg; Apple CEO Tim
Cook and Coca-Cola Co. CEO Muhtar Kent.

The final category had just one name: **Bernie Sanders**.



Melania, Ivanka, Eric and Donald Trump, Jr. wait for the start of the second debate St. Louis. (John Locher/AP)

THE DAILY DONALD:

-- People Magazine published six stories from friends and colleagues of Trump accuser Natasha Stoynoff, corroborating her accusation that the Republican nominee forced himself on her in 2005. Two people who went on the record are now People editors - deputy East Coast editor Mary Green and East Coast editor Liz McNeil. Another is Stoynoff's former journalism professor, who says she called him looking for advice immediately afterwards. And

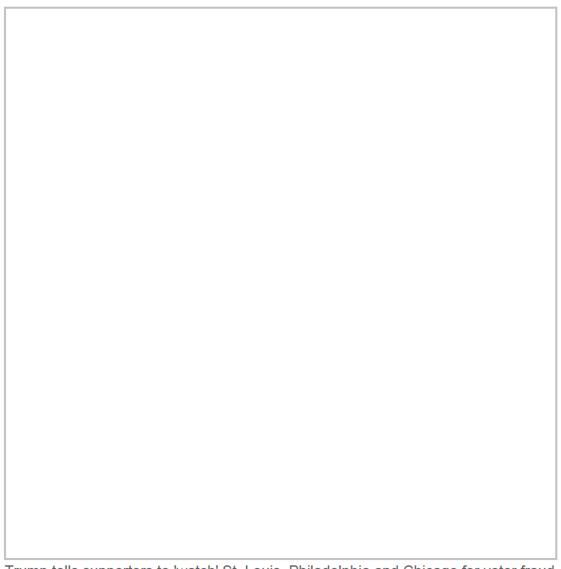
yet another friend went on the record to back her claims that she ran into Melania Trump on Fifth Avenue after the assault. The report comes as both Donald and Melania have denied the story and threatened legal action.

- -- Video surfaced yesterday of Trump attacking Condi Rice in 2006: "I wish she was a b**ch," he said. "I don't care if she's a lovely woman. I want somebody that can go and make deals. She goes to countries, nothing ever happens. Except sound bytes." When asked if she had any response to the New York Daily News report on Trump's remarks, the former secretary of state emailed CNN: "Can't wait until November 9!"
- -- Trump's alleged misconduct has started a national conversation about sexual assault. From Katie Zezima: "The debate has been particularly painful for many victims of sexual assault, who now must endure nonstop coverage of allegations of groping and kissing without consent — along with backlash against the women who made the claims about Trump. But in the 2016 presidential election, the issue has become sharply divided along partisan lines, including claims by some Trump allies that the behavior described by Trump's accusers ... might not be considered assault. The resistance against the accusers is particularly awkward for the Trump campaign, which simultaneously argues that women who accused Bill Clinton of wrongdoing years ago should be believed." GOP strategist Ashley O'Connor said that Trump is essentially saying, "You need to believe the people who have come forward and accused [Bill]. You need to believe that [Hillary] was attacking these women. But don't believe the women who have come

forward against me."

- -- Melania is taking a page from the old Hillary playbook: "Until now, Melania Trump has declined to fulfill the mundane tasks of political wives, saying her duties to her young son are more important than the demand that a spouse go along for the ride to 'humanize' a candidate," Karen Tumulty writes. "Now, however, she has found herself in a time-honored duty for a political wife when a sex scandal hits cleanup. [But] even as she defends her husband, [Melania] is willing to go only so far: In a moment where the script would appear to call for her to share a little more about 'the man I know,' she offered no personal glimpses of their lives. There was nothing more revealing than what one might hear in a campaign ad outside, perhaps, her observation that she feels like she is living with two boys, not one."
- -- Ivanka addressed her father's lewd 2005 remarks for the first time, telling Fast Company that his conversation with Billy Bush was "clearly inappropriate and offensive." "I'm glad that he acknowledged this fact with an immediate apology to my family and the American people," she added in a statement.
- -- Donald Jr. has made a series of offensive statements during interviews with shock-jock radio hosts. CNN's Andrew Kaczynski unearthed a trove of controversial remarks from the candidate's son:
 - He joked about the Aurora movie theater shooting on the same day 12 people were killed: After footage was played from a witness recounting the tragedy, Trump Jr. quipped that the survivor will still give the film "two thumbs up."

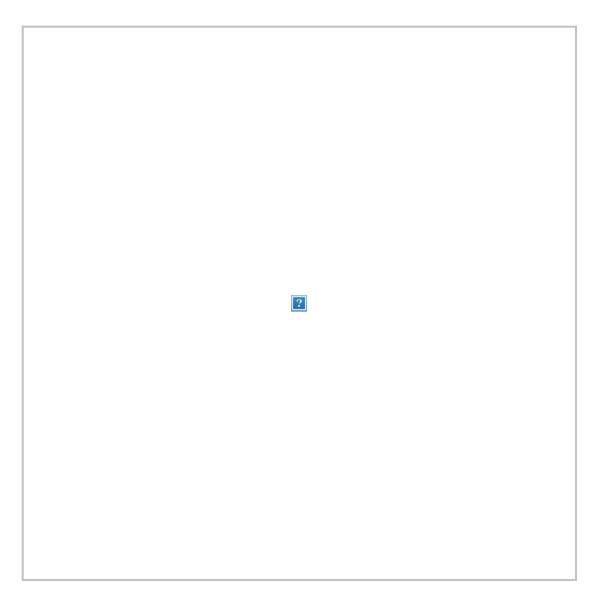
- He joked about child abuse at beauty pageants: "They yell at the kids like, yeah 'You didn't do good, you forgot to turn! You forgot your turn!" a host said, depicting the role of a stage parent. "The kids, they're crying," Trump Jr. said. "I just wanna play with Barbie." "She beats me when you're not here," said the host. "She's like limping," added Trump Jr., mocking a child's voice. "'Help me, help me." Trump Jr. added of the moms at beauty pageants, "They're all fat. Ugly."
- On not being able to mock overweight people: "By the way
 you can't ... even make fat jokes now ... that's almost the worst
 one," he said. "It's easier to, like, do a racial thing, than it is a fat
 one because everyone knows they're fat and they get really
 offended."



Trump tells supporters to 'watch' St. Louis, Philadelphia and Chicago for voter fraud

-- Doubling down on his rigged election rhetoric, Trump yesterday provided his supporters with a list of three cities where they should watch for corruption on Election Day. "Take a look at St. Louis. Take a look at Philadelphia. Take a look at Chicago," Trump said in Colorado. "Look, look, if nothing else, people are going to be watching on November 8. Watch Philadelphia. Watch St. Louis. Watch Chicago, watch Chicago. Watch so many other places." (Two of those cities are in states that are not considered competitive, Jenna Johnson notes.)

- -- Local election officials are panicking that Trump's reckless rhetoric will lead his supporters to bring guns to polling places, but they're mostly powerless to do anything about it: "The Prince William County (Virginia) electoral board ... considered seeking a one-day ban on weapons at polling places located on private property but was rebuked by a gun-friendly state legislator." Patricia Sullivan reports. "Del. Robert G. Marshall (R-Prince William) sent a letter to the board pointing out that it has no power to ban guns from polling places except for schools and courthouses, where weapons are prohibited by state law. ... Virginia's election officials have been discussing on their private email list the possibility of intimidation or violence Nov. 8 and talking about what to do about unruly observers. ... Seventy of Prince William's 91 polling places are in schools, with the remaining 21 in churches, fire halls and community centers. Firearms are allowed in county government buildings, such as fire stations, libraries and community centers."
- -- Trump called for a Constitutional amendment to put in place congressional term limits, but he provided no details about the details. (Jenna Johnson)



Supporters of Nicolas Maduro display a giant inflatable dummy depicting late President Hugo Chavez in Caracas. (Juan Barreto/Getty)

-- Venezuelan journalist and political scientist Francisco Toro argues that Trump really is much more like Nicolás Maduro than Hugo Chavez: "Again and again, since taking over in 2013, Maduro has run roughshod over the constitution in ways Chávez never dared to ... [and] for Venezuelans, the past year has been an object lesson in how dangerous this approach can be. Last week, we followed this crazy dynamic off the deep end, when the court overturned 800 years of constitutional practice, dating back to the original Magna Carta, ruling that when the constitution says the legislative branch has to

vote on the national budget, it means the president can just approve budgets on his own. ... Having your democracy commit suicide under the lure of a charismatic demagogue is not the kind of experience you can fully make sense of unless you've lived it in your own skin. Before 2016, no explanation I could give my American friends was enough. Now, my American friends can just turn on CNN and watch it happening live."

THE BATTLEGROUNDS:

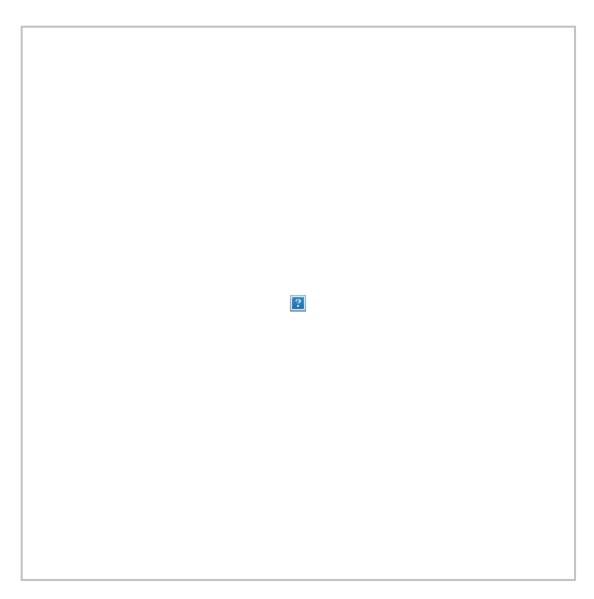
- -- A civil rights group filed a federal lawsuit to force Virginia to extend its voter registration period, after the state's online system crashed on Monday. The technological glitch prohibited registration from an unknown number of participants. Some have estimated the number to be in the "tens of thousands." (Laura Vozzella)
- -- Pro-Clinton super PAC Priorities USA announced it will begin airing ads in two Senate races and will start airing television and radio ads in Georgia to boost Clinton. "New ads will support Gov. Maggie Hassan in the New Hampshire Senate race against Republican Sen. Kelly Ayotte and Katie McGinty in the Pennsylvania Senate race against Sen. Patrick J. Toomey," Abby Phillip writes. "The super PAC also plans a new seven-figure television ad buy in Georgia in addition to new radio ads targeted at African American voters. The state has not been won by the Democratic presidential nominee since 1992."
- -- DNC officials issued an apology after one of its campaign buses was recorded illegally dumping sewage into a Georgia

storm drain, calling the leak an "honest" but "unacceptable" mistake. The driver of the bus – adorned with larger-than-life faces of Clinton and Kaine – said the vehicle's sewage tank was full and leaking out. A guy in an auto parts repair store spotted him and record it. (Katie Mettler)

- -- The race for Rep. Barbara Comstock's House seat in Northern Virginia has tightened. From Jenna Portnoy: The Cook Political Report is moving the race up to toss-up, while the Rothenberg & Gonzales Political Report already considers it a toss-up district, tilting to the Republican. "Experts consider the district among the most competitive in the nation despite lackluster fundraising numbers from Democratic challenger LuAnn Bennett and evidence [Trump] might not be the anchor on down-ballot candidates some had expected," Portnoy writes. The two will face off this morning for the final debate of the campaign.
- Bloc: White Catholics," by the New York Times's Jason Horowitz in Philly: "Since the election of Ronald Reagan, white Roman Catholics have flocked to Republican nominees for a raft of reasons, including their stances on social issues like abortion and same-sex marriage. But this year, something seems different. 'Trump is the exception to the rule,' said 67-year-old Carol Robinson, leaving an afternoon prayer meeting in Philadelphia. 'He's a loose cannon.' Roman Catholics are the country's second-largest religious group after evangelical Protestants, and they are as diverse as the country itself, with young liberals, cultural conservatives and, increasingly, Democratic-leaning Hispanics."

One quiet influencer could be Pope Francis, wh emphasizes inclusion and the welfare of the poor over divisive issues like abortion and homosexuality. In February, he suggested Trump "is not a Christian."

-- Harry Reid reflects on when Trump used to be one of his donors in an interview with Paul Kane: "Reid found a priceless piece of memorabilia recently while sorting through 34 years of congressional papers. It's a picture of Reid with [Trump], inside the real-estate developer's Manhattan home, both men smiling. He's pretty sure it's from 1992, when [he] was running his first Senate reelection bid and when [Trump] was happy to help Democrats. Reid appreciated Trump's generosity. 'He wasn't much of a big shot then, neither was I,' Reid recalled ... Over the years when Trump was a reliable donor to Senate Democrats, Reid saw no signs of a future Republican presidential candidate who he would later eviscerate as a 'racist' and a 'human leech.' Now, heading into political twilight, the former boxer is clearly relishing what is essentially his last campaign through attacks on Trump ... 'I'm kind of an unusual politician,' he said."



Libertarian Lucy Brenton, Democrat Evan Bayh and Republican Todd Young debate in Indianapolis last night. (AP Photo/Michael Conroy, Pool)

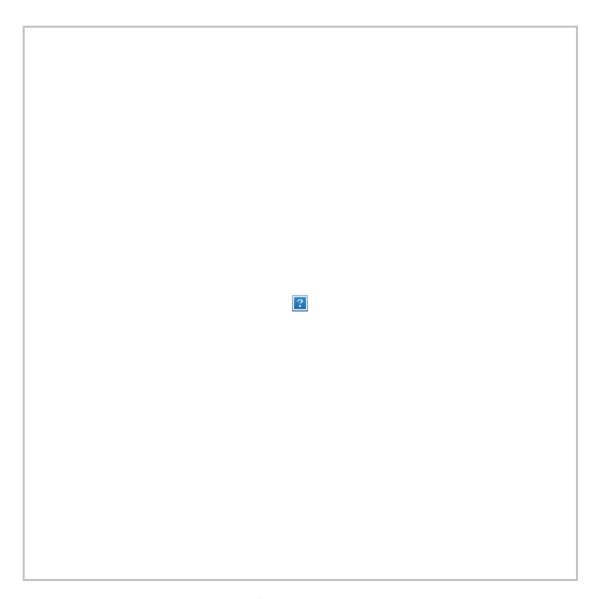
SENATE DEBATES:

-- "Indiana's Senate race got personal Tuesday," the Indianapolis Star's Maureen Groppe and James Briggs write.

"After weeks of attacking each other in campaign commercials, former Sen. Evan Bayh and GOP Rep. Todd Young directly accused each other of not representing Hoosiers' interests in their [sole debate] ... Young repeatedly charged Bayh, a Democrat, with following the orders of Washington insiders and looking out for

himself. 'Evan Bayh took the money and ran,' Young said after criticizing Bayh's vote for the Affordable Care Act. 'He joined a major lobbying firm in Washington, D.C., and he represented clients that needed relief from the very problem he created from Obamacare.' Bayh said Young has voted against the needs of veterans, seniors and workers who are losing their jobs to overseas competition. And he accused Young of lying about his record. 'Congressman Young has told so many whoppers here tonight, it's hard to keep track," Bayh said.

-- The final debate between Sen. Ron Johnson and Democrat Russ Feingold also turned personal, the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel's Bill Glauber reports: "Skirmishing over campaign finance, national security, the economy and the presidential candidates, the men engaged in a feisty 90-minute clash ... With polls showing a tight race, there was little room for error as the candidates sought to shore up their base support while reaching out to the small number of undecided voters. In a sense, the debate was six years in the making as the two men entered the closing stretch of their rematch race. Throughout the debate, Feingold claimed that Johnson 'didn't have a plan' on issues. Johnson fired back, 'Senator Feingold' is always going to have a plan to grow government." "I will stand with the people of this state," Feingold said. "Senator Johnson stands with the corporations, the billionaires and the multi-millionaires." In rebuttal, Johnson said he "understands what it's like to work": "I'm the working man," he said. "I've worked hard all my life."



A pan handler sits with a "Give me \$1 or I'm voting for Trump" sign in Manhattan. (Carlo Allegri)

IT'S SILLY SEASON:

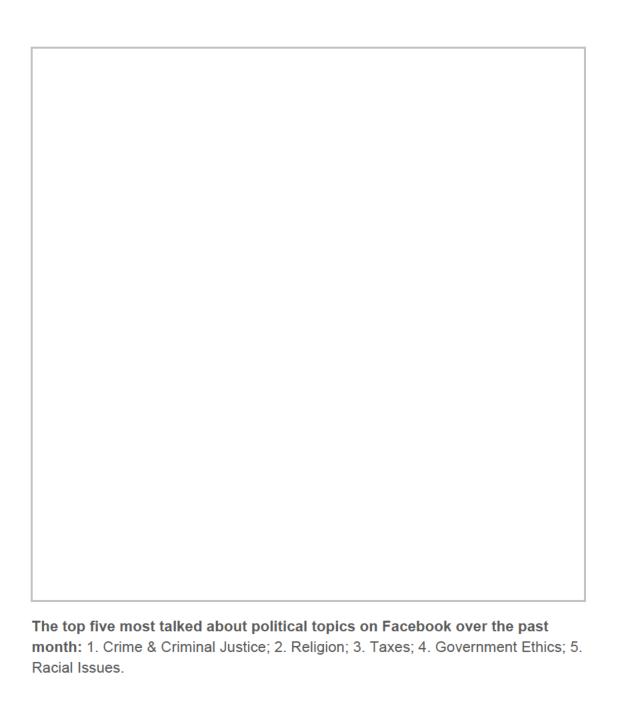
-- A Wisconsin woman was arrested after she spread peanut butter on 30 cars that she believed belonged to Trump supporters. But it turns out the cars actually belonged to members of a local conservation club! "Witnesses said 32-year-old Christina Ferguson stormed into the club meeting on Monday night, holding what a Portage County deputy's report described as a 'family-size jar of low-sodium, creamy natural Jif," HuffPost reports. "Officers

said Ferguson grew emotional as she explained how much she loved Clinton and hated Trump. She then explained why she'd misused peanut butter. 'Peanut butter is better than fire-bombing,' the officer quoted her as saying. She added that Trump wants to fire-bomb everybody in other countries."

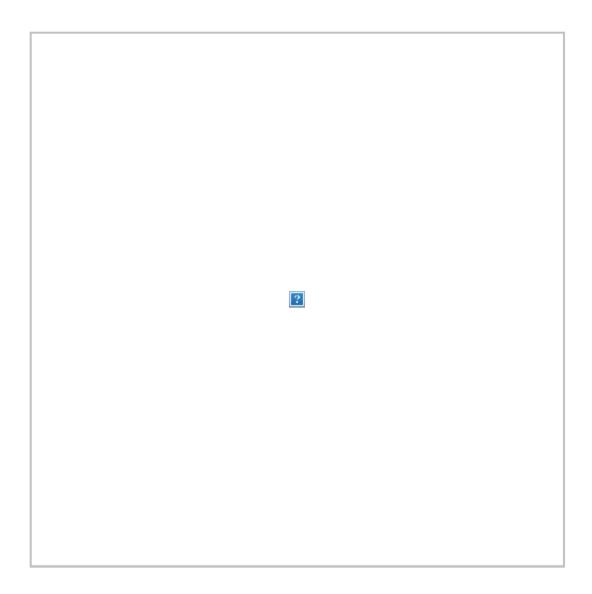
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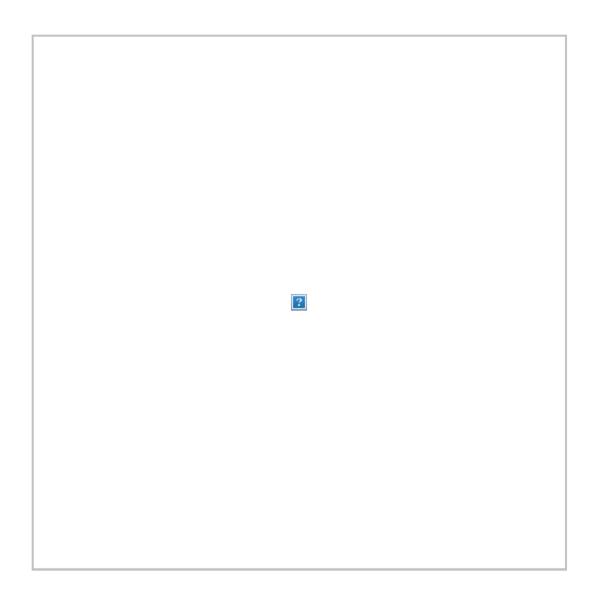
Over 62 million people on Facebook in the U.S. posted about, shared, liked or commented on content related to Trump over 931 million times in the last month. The chart below shows the unique number of people on Facebook engaging in the conversation about each candidate – as well as the number of interactions those people generated. Interactions represents the total aggregate number of likes, posts, comments and shares made about a particular candidate within the timeframe. The interactions figure includes not only the activity on the candidate's page, but all of the likes, posts, comments and shares about that candidate from throughout Facebook:



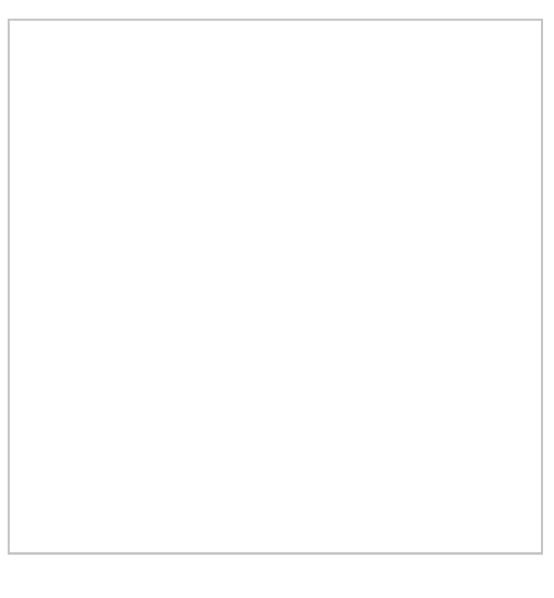
The Onion is on the lookout for late-breaking Trump news:



Coming soon to a Las Vegas billboard:

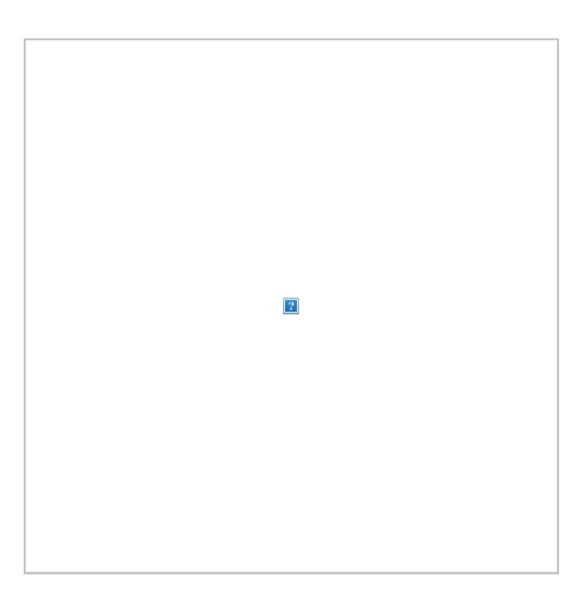


Fox's Sean Hannity and CNN's Brian Stelter went back-and-forth on the issue of voter fraud:

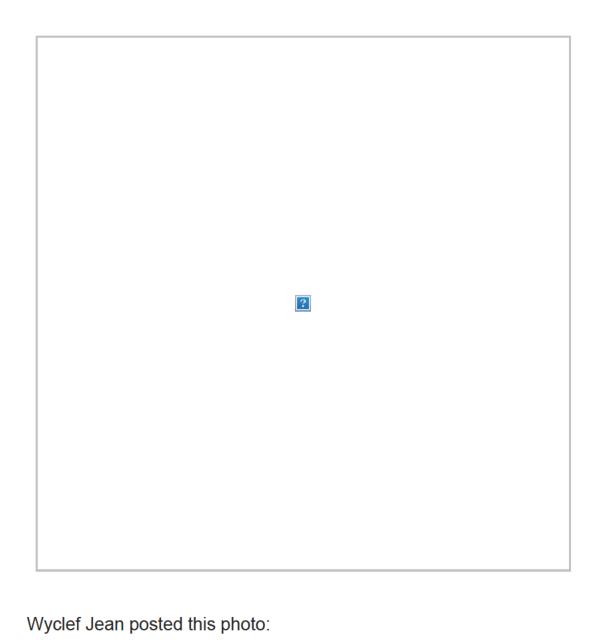


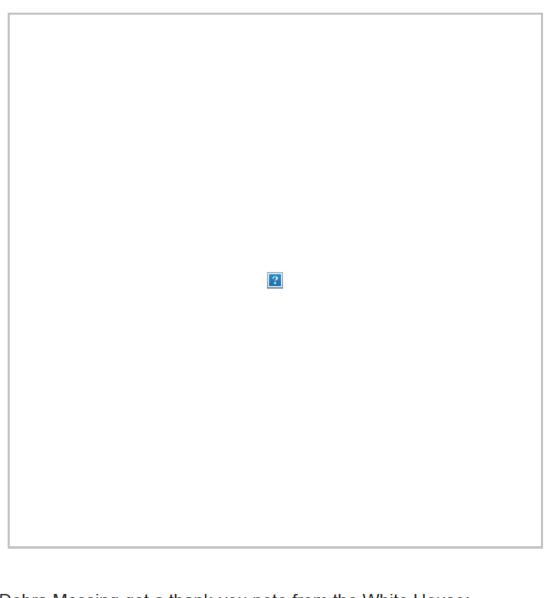
Mike Pence observed some of the damage from the firebombing in North Carolina and called it "an act of political terrorism":

Vogue endorsed Clinton, making the first ever political endorsement in the magazine's history. "We understand that Clinton has not always been a perfect candidate, yet her fierce intelligence and considerable experience are reflected in policies and positions that are clear, sound and hopeful," the magazine's editors write.

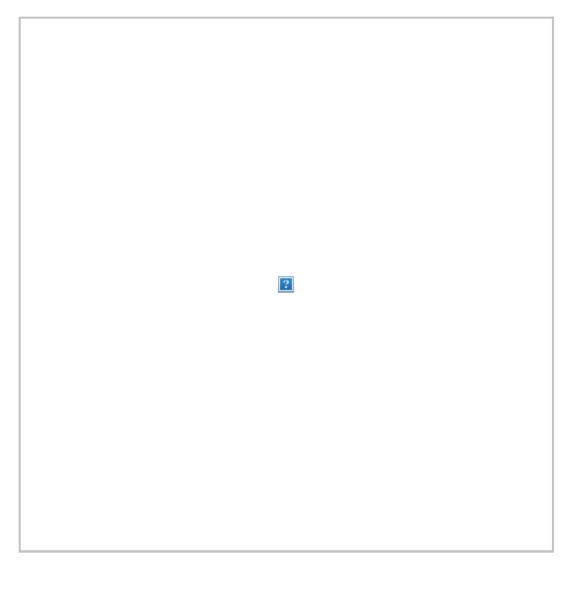


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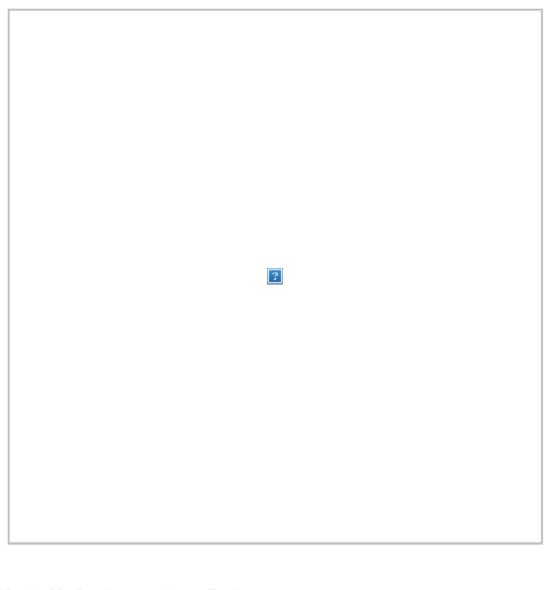




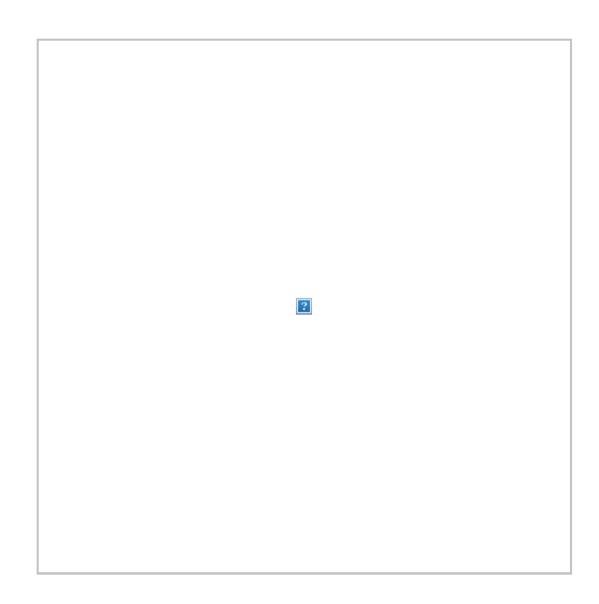
Debra Messing got a thank-you note from the White House:



Jason Chaffetz took this selfie while camping:



Kevin McCarthy went to a Dodgers game:



GOOD READS FROM ELSEWHERE:

Target These Days," by Dave Itzkoff: "Why does David Letterman have a beard? To put it more precisely: Why did Mr. Letterman, after stepping down from CBS's 'Late Show' and a 33-year career ... spend the past year and a half cultivating a fleecy and prodigious mound of facial hair ...? Did he grow these imposing bristles to keep the world at bay while he withdrew into retirement?" Was it his way of saying he was no longer the man who had spent 6,000 evenings reading Top 10 lists and interviewing 20,000 guests? Actually, he

explained, 'I just got tired of shaving every day, but then it became something else, and I'm not quite sure what it became.' In his dry Midwestern delivery, tinged with a new and unaccustomed element of wistfulness, he said: 'The beard is a good reminder to me that that was a different life. I'm hopeful that I will either find something else, or something else will be presented to me.' ... With years of vitality left, he has been trying, since his 'Late Show' farewell in May 2015, to figure out what his next step should be."

- -- National security reporter Walter Pincus prepared a list of pressing foreign policy questions that Trump and Clinton should answer in tonight's debate. Some highlights from his column for the Cipher Brief:
 - For Trump, on Russia: "At the last debate, despite your being briefed by intelligence analysts and after Director of National Intelligence James Clapper publicly identified Russia as doing the hacking, you said [Clinton] 'doesn't know if it's the Russians doing the hacking,' and then added, 'Maybe there is no hacking.' Do you not trust the U.S. intelligence community determination ... that the Russians are behind the hacking of the [DNC] emails?"
 - For Clinton, on Syria: "You are advocating a no-fly zone and safe zones. Define just what would be involved on the part of the U.S. and its allies – including forces in the air and on the ground [for protection] ... Would you seek congressional authorization to use American armed forces which will have to strike at Syrian government targets, something normally considered an act of war?"

For Trump, on Syria: On Oct. 9, you said "Syria is no longer Syria. Syria is Russia and it's Iran.' You also said Assad forces and the Russians in Syria were fighting ISIS, and implied if you were president you would no longer support any anti-Assad forces. Instead you would join with the Russians, Iranians and Assad regime in fighting ISIS. Would that be your policy for Syria? And if the Assad regime, supported by Russian and Iranian military forces, attempted to regain control over all of Syria, would you stand aside and let that happen?"

HOT ON THE LEFT

HOT ON THE RIGHT

Two little known but influential Democratic operatives lost their jobs after edited footage from a video sting by conservative activist James O'Keefe found them entertaining "dark notions" about how to win elections. From Dave Weigel: "Footage from the video shows [Scott] Foval, a Wisconsin-based politico with a long resume, bragging about a litary of political dirty tricks. In the first video, he boasts of 'conflict engagement in the lines of Trump rallies,' takes credit for the violence that canceled a Trump rally at the University of Illinois in Chicago (and) admits

he's paid 'mentally ill'
people to start trouble."
Robert Creamer also
announced he is stepping
down from the work he was
doing for a progressive
consulting group following
release of the tape. On
Tuesday night's episode of
"Hannity," two campaign
representatives said that
the tapes "validated
everything" Trump had said
about the possible threat of
the election being stolen.

DAYBOOK:

On the campaign trail: Trump and Clinton debate in Las Vegas. Tim Kaine speaks in Upper Arlington and Springfield, Ohio and Asheville, N.C.; Bernie Sanders rallies Clinton supporters in Reno, Nev. Pence speaks in Durango, Colo.

At the White House: Obama has no public events scheduled. Biden speaks about the Cancer Moonshot at the SAP Global CEO Summit in New York. Later, he travels to Boston to speak again about the project at the Edward M. Kennedy Institute.

On Capitol Hill: The Senate and House are out.

QUOTE OF THE DAY:

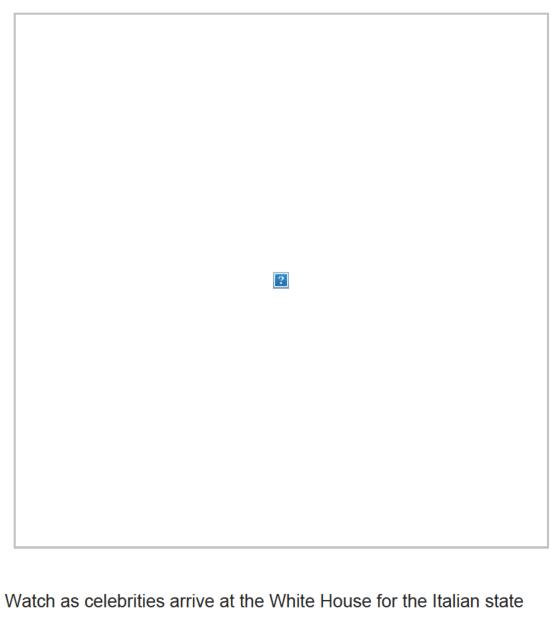
Obama mocked Trump for griping about a rigged election: "You start whining before the game's even over?"

NEWS YOU CAN USE IF YOU LIVE IN D.C.:

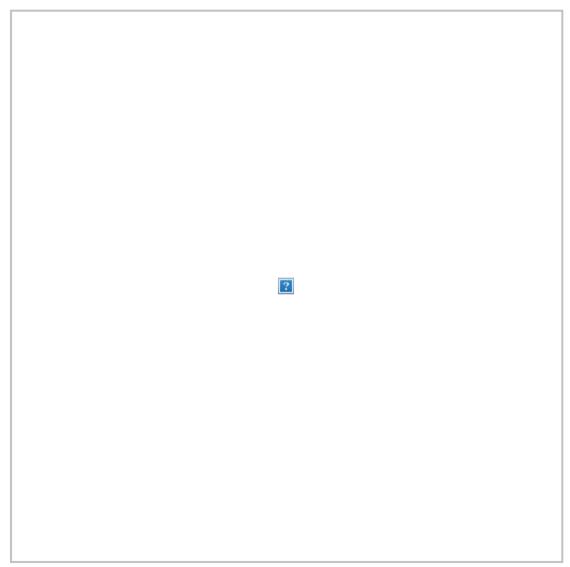
- -- "A solidly summerlike day, with partly to mostly sunny skies and noticeable humidity," the Capital Weather Gang forecasts. "Highs head for the mid-80s, with light winds from the west-southwest around 5-10 mph. The record highs to beat for the day? 88 at DCA, 83 at Dulles, and 82 at BWI."
- -- The Wizards beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 96-91.
- -- The Capitals beat the Colorado Avalanche 3-0
- -- A Richmond federal appeals court agreed to postpone oral arguments in a case over the Washington Redskins' trademark registration, further delaying a long-running case that pits the NFL team against the U.S. patent office and Native Americans groups find the team's name insulting. (lan Shapira)
- -- A high school senior was fatally stabbed on a D.C. Metrobus Tuesday evening, reportedly following a long-running dispute with another young woman over a cell phone. Police said the suspect has been taken into custody and charged. (Peter Hermann)
- -- Marriott International announced plans to relocate its headquarters to downtown Bethesda, deciding to remain in Montgomery County after getting commitment on a \$62 million publicly funded initiative. (Jonathan O'Connell)

VIDEOS OF THE DAY:

Tony Award-winning actress Laura Benanti returned to "The Late								
Show With Stephen Colbert" last night to reprise her spot-on								
parody of Melania Trump — this time with some uncomfortable Billy								
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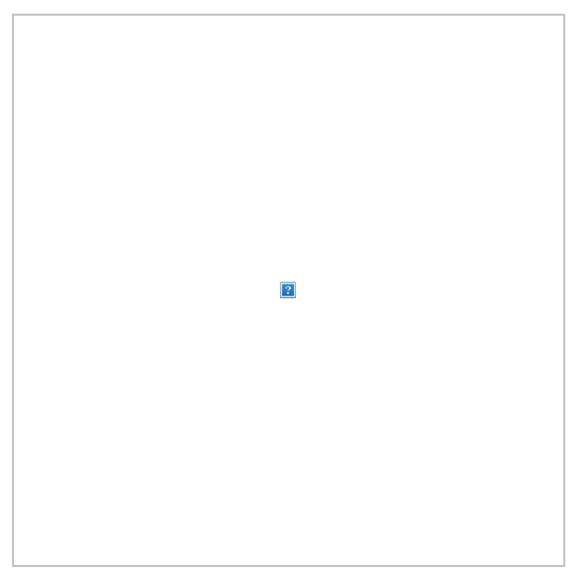


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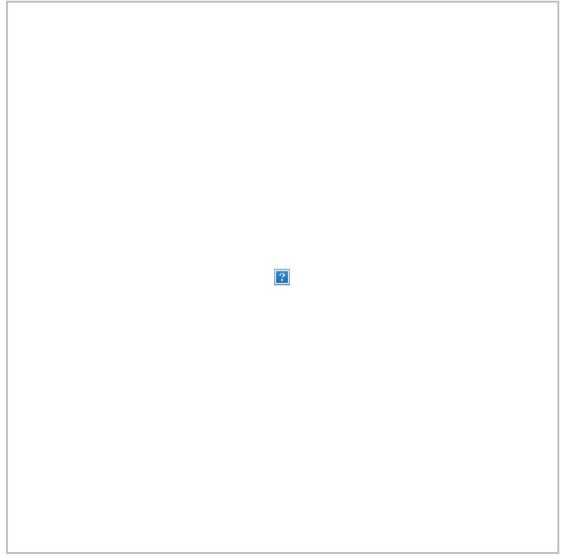
Celebrities arrive for Italian state dinner

"Dreamer" Juan Salazar, who came to the U.S. when he was seven, contemplates what's at stake in this election for him and his undocumented family members:



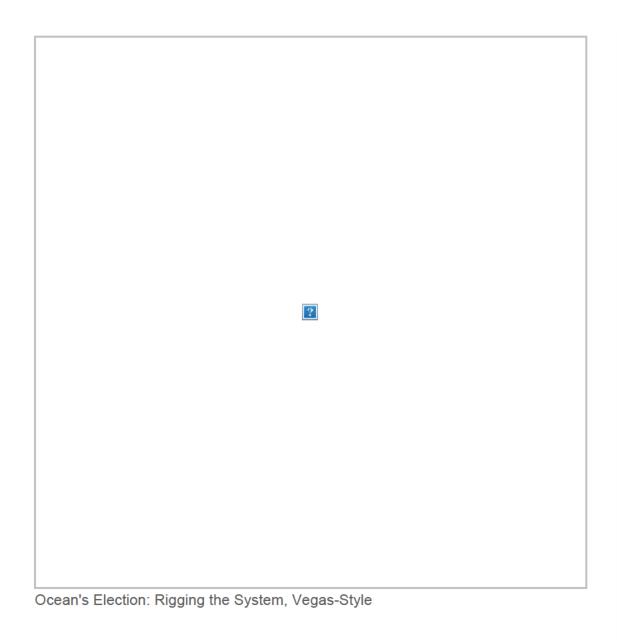
A family in fear: 'Us being separated...is just devastating'

Judy Shepard, whose son Matthew Shepard was murdered in Laramie, Wyoming, in 1998, because he was gay, cut a 1-minute spot for the Clinton Super PAC Priorities USA. "I know what can happen as the result of hate," she says to camera. "So when I see the hate that Donald Trump has brought to his campaign for president, it terrifies me. … Words have an influence, violence causes pain, hate can rip us apart. I know what can happen as the result of hate, and Donald Trump should never be our president."

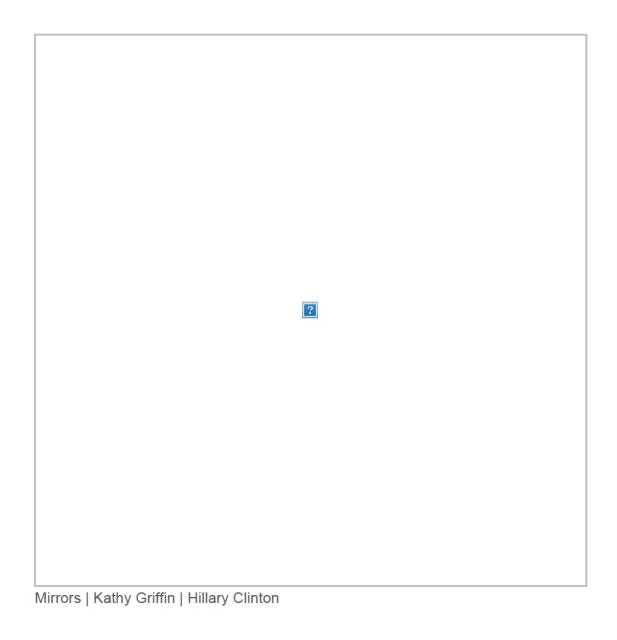


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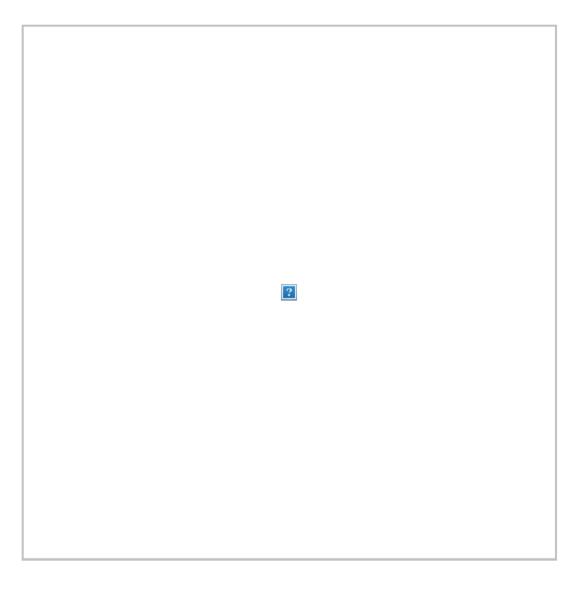
Bloomberg made an Ocean's Eleven-style explainer about whether the election is rigged:



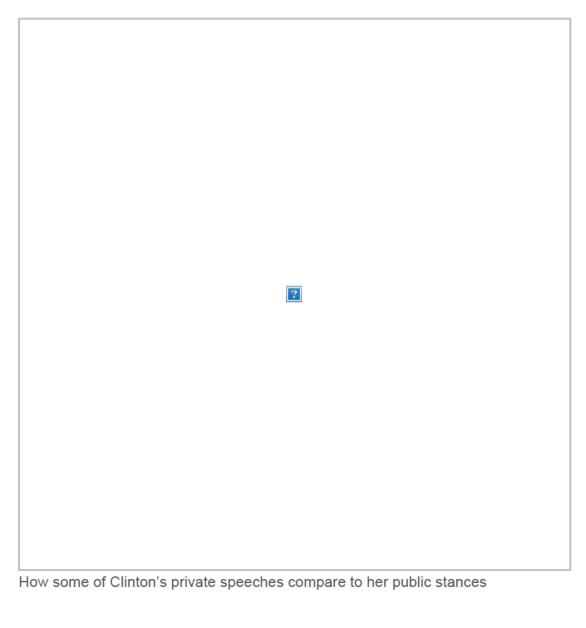
Kathy Griffin taped a video against Trump (warning: profanity):



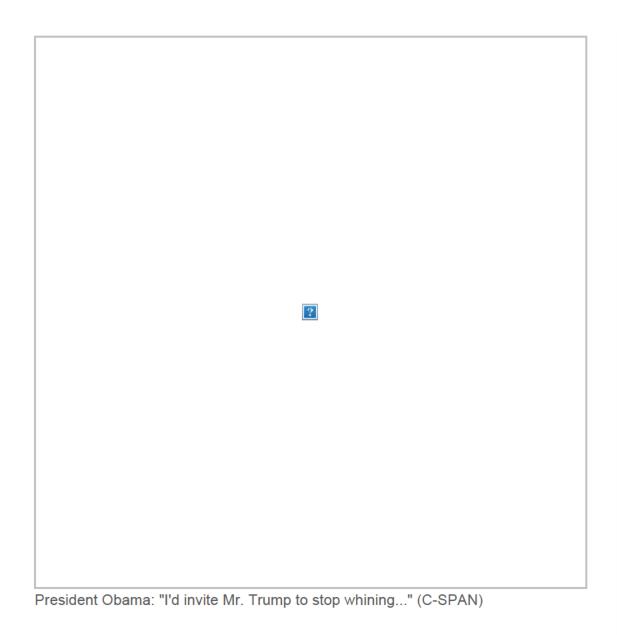
Viceland also used adult language in this Instagram video against Trump:



Compare some of what Clinton says in her stump speech to what she told Goldman Sachs bankers behind closed doors:



Watch Obama speak about Trump's "whining":



Finally, in this video, Canadians tell Americans why our country is already great:

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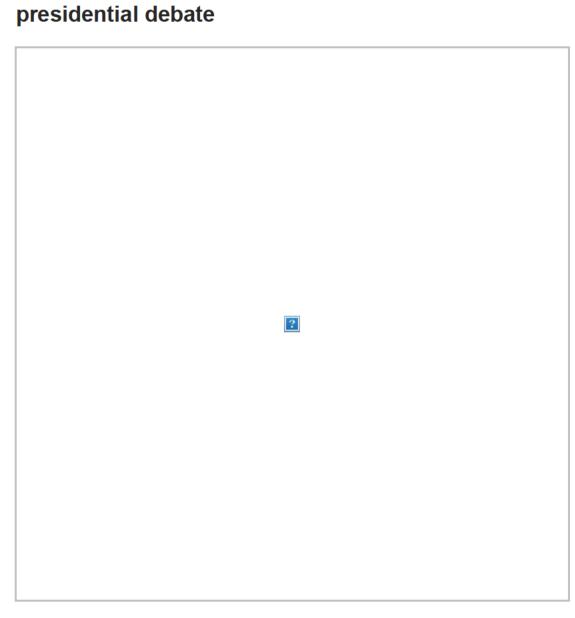
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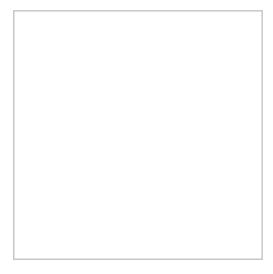
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The Supreme Court will be a focus of tonight's



Donald Trump's plane passes Hillary Clinton's plane at McCarran International Airport yesterday. The candidates have come to Las Vegas for their third and final debate. (Brendan Smialowski/AFP/Getty Images)



With Breanne Deppisch

THE BIG IDEA: The Supreme Court is one of six main topics that will be covered during tonight's final debate at the University of Nevada in Las Vegas. The late Antonin Scalia's seat continues to sit empty. An evenly-divided court has begun its new term under a cloud of uncertainty. Assuming Hillary Clinton wins, it remains unclear whether Republicans will try to confirm Merrick Garland during the lame-duck session to prevent her from putting up someone who is younger and more liberal next year.

The debate took on new significance this week when John

McCain boasted during a radio interview that Republicans would automatically oppose whomever Clinton nominates. "I promise you that we will be united against any Supreme Court nominee that Hillary Clinton, if she were president, would put up," the Arizona senator said. "I promise you!"

Attacked by his Democratic challenger, McCain's spokeswoman released a statement walking back his comment. The senator will "thoroughly examine the record of any Supreme Court nominee put

before the Senate," she said. McCain then <u>awkwardly avoided</u> a local TV reporter who tried to follow up.

Republicans, who have struggled to convince voters that they are capable of governing, talked a big game in years past about the need to be more than just "the party of no." That messaging is gone now. The prospect of four more years in the wilderness suggests that they will move back toward unapologetic obstruction.

Right now, however, they are in damage control mode. Judiciary Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley, who is up for reelection in lowa, promised yesterday to not automatically "stonewall" any Clinton pick. "If that new president happens to be Hillary, we can't just simply stonewall," Grassley said on a conference call with local press.

This is a very delicate balancing act. Vulnerable Republican incumbents are trying to convince people who are reluctantly voting for Clinton to support them by promising that they'll be a check and balance on the excesses of the Clinton presidency. One man's "check and balance," however, is another man's "obstruction." Regardless of how you play it, the bottom line is that Republicans are trying to save their majority by promising more gridlock.

If Republicans hold the Senate, Mitch McConnell will control the floor schedule and Grassley will continue to have the Judiciary gavel. So they technically could do exactly what they have for the past nine months with Garland.

Democrats are now favored to win the Senate majority. Even if they run the table, however, they'll only control around 53 seats.

That is nowhere near filibuster proof. The question then becomes: Which Republicans would cross over to vote for a President Clinton's SCOTUS picks? Could a Majority Leader Chuck Schumer cobble together 60 votes? Or does he invoke the nuclear option and change the rules to allow Supreme Court nominees to be confirmed by a simple majority? Going nuclear will probably be the easier course, both politically and procedurally, especially because the Republican blockade of Garland has cost GOP leaders much of their moral standing to oppose such a gambit.

Contrary to the will of the brilliant men who devised the Constitution, the Senate is increasingly becoming a majoritarian institution. Conservatives, who in principle should be alarmed by this trend, have shortsightedly accelerated it.

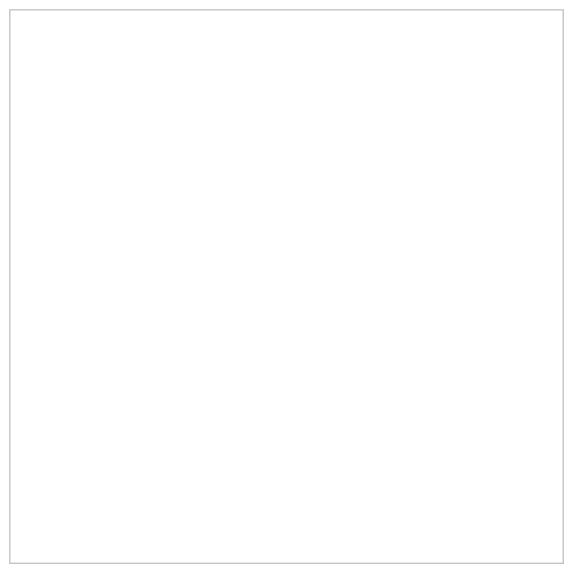


for the debate last night at UNLV. (David Goldman/AP)

-- There are two very important SCOTUS questions that the candidates have avoided giving direct answers to:

Will Clinton re-nominate Garland? Watch for her to once again dodge on this. She's called him "extremely well qualified," and she's relying heavily on Barack Obama to get her across the finish line in November. The president sees getting Garland through during the lame-duck as a top priority and a legacy achievement, but Clinton privately wants to pick someone who is younger and more liberal than the 63-year-old moderate.

Will Trump commit to nominating only people who are on his list of 21 potential picks? Aides have said the list is definitive, but the reality TV star has suggested during interviews that he might go another direction. And he has a very long history of not being true to his word. A few of the people Trump floated have chastised him. Utah Sen. Mike Lee, on the second installment of Trump's list, subsequently called on the GOP nominee to drop out. And, amusingly, federal appellate court Judge Diane Sykes (who was in the first batch of names released by Trump) ruled earlier this month against Mike Pence. She said the Indiana governor cannot interfere with the distribution of federal funds to resettle Syrian refugees in his state.



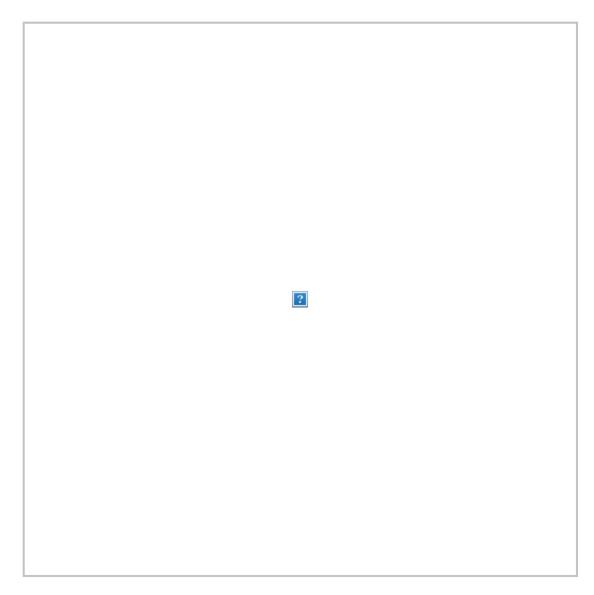
Trump speaks in Grand Junction, Colorado. (George Frey/Getty)

-- For many conservative intellectuals, stopping Clinton from appointing Scalia's replacement is no longer a good enough reason to support Trump. Among the Republican politicians who have capitulated, such as Ted Cruz, holding the Scalia seat is a favorite talking point to justify supporting someone who they privately see as dangerously authoritarian. But 29 top conservative legal scholars have signed onto a letter arguing that it is not enough. The "Originalists against Trump" do not believe Trump would protect the Constitution. And they do not trust him to actually pick from his list of

21. "More importantly, we do not trust him to respect constitutional limits in the rest of his conduct in office, of which judicial nominations are only one part," they write. The group understands that the alternative is Clinton. "Yet our country's commitment to its Constitution is not so fragile that it can be undone by a single administration or a single court," they conclude. (Read the full letter here.)

Our Robert Barnes notes that the signatories include a Northwestern law professor who was one of the founders of the Federalist Society, Steven G. Calabresi; Post columnist George F. Will; and a well-regarded conservative law professor at New York University and the University of Chicago, Richard Epstein. "The effort was organized by Duke University law professor Stephen E. Sachs and University of Chicago law professor William Baude, a pair of former clerks to Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr."

Something to ponder: Will Roberts vote for Trump? He obviously wants to regain his working majority, but he also hails from Indiana – just like Gonzalo Curiel, the federal judge whom Trump leveled repeated, racially-loaded attacks against. We'll never know...

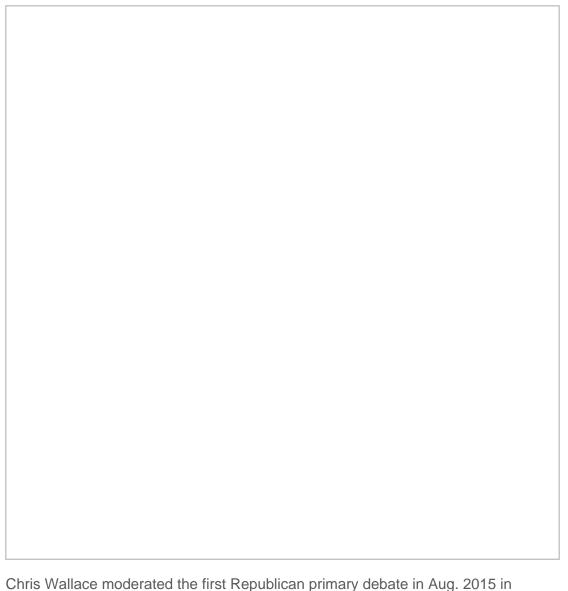


Bill greets Melania before the start of the last debate. (Paul J. Richards/AFP/Getty Images)

MORE ON WHAT TO EXPECT IN VEGAS TONIGHT:

- -- The <u>other five topics</u> that will get covered from 9 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Eastern are immigration, entitlements/debt, the economy, foreign policy and each candidate's "fitness" to serve as president.
- -- Trump's scorched-earth strategy continues. He is bringing as his guests Obama's estranged half-brother Malik and the mother

- of a Benghazi victim who has accused Clinton of "murdering" her son. It is unclear whether the campaign will reveal more surprise guests today. Clinton is bringing billionaires Mark Cuban and Meg Whitman in an effort to rattle Trump over his wealth. (Jose DelReal)
- -- Clinton spent much of this week off the trail preparing for their final showdown, a strategy which Trump mocked at a Colorado rally. He told supporters she was actually at home resting instead. "You know what the debate prep is? It's resting. It's lying down, going to sleep," he said. (Jenna Johnson)
- -- The Clinton campaign has requested that Bill and Melania do not shake hands before tonight's debate. Last time, Trump planned to parade three women who accused Clinton of sexual assault into the family seating area and force the former president to shake their hands as he crossed the room. (Jeremy Peters and Maggie Haberman, The New York Times)



Chris Wallace moderated the first Republican primary debate in Aug. 2015 in Cleveland. (Aaron Josefczyk/Reuters)

-- "Chris Wallace's Debate Role Is a Bright Spot in a Dark Year for Fox," by the New York Times's Michael Grynbaum: Chris is the first Fox journalist to take charge of a general election face-off. "It would be the most consequential night of Fox News's year — if the network had not just endured the most traumatic period in its two-decade history. [For] the team of Fox anchors and producers (in Vegas) this week, Mr. Wallace's star turn is a welcome source of pride. And, maybe, some relief. The selection of Mr. Wallace, a veteran broadcaster with a reputation for tough, mischief-making

questions, was particularly bolstering for Fox's news division, which has viewed itself as an unfairly maligned alternative to the network's stable of conservative commentators like Mr. Hannity and Bill O'Reilly."

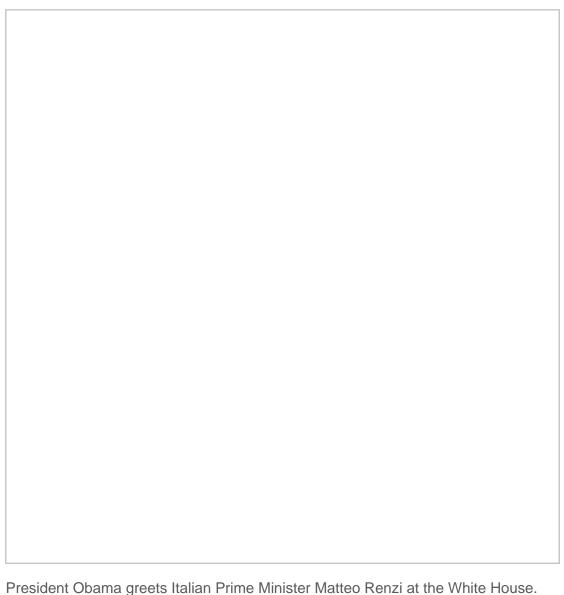
- -- Politico's Glenn Thrush preemptively declares that "Clinton will be on the defensive": "Trump's fitness to lead has, rightly, been the major focus of his conventionally lousy first debate and the national disgrace of his second one. But here's some good news for him! Trump has done such a masterful job of handing Clinton the election that the inevitable focus now is on her! America wants, demands, that final kick-the-tires test, as Barack Obama said of the process and significant questions remain about her honesty, integrity, judgment and trustworthiness. ... Beatings, like bossa novas, have a predictable rhythm. Trump's beating (however deserved or self-inflicted) has gone on for too long in terms of the cyclical attention span of modern media, and it's simply Hillary's turn."
- -- Trump's odds of turning around his campaign tonight are steep, the Boston Globe's Matt Viser posits: "Clinton arrives in Las Vegas for the final debate like a poker player holding a full house, confident and careful. Trump is furiously raising his bet, acting as if he's holding a hot hand, when polls say all he's got is a pair of jacks."
- -- Republicans are praying that Trump does not once again take
 Clinton's bait, per the Wall Street Journal's Michael Bender and
 Laura Meckler: "Democrats want Clinton to articulate a positive
 vision for the country, rising above the allegations of sexual
 misconduct and dishonesty that have permeated this election year. ...

Republicans say Trump needs to focus on his popular antiestablishment message and avoid placing any more attention on controversies over his treatment of women or rifts with fellow Republicans. 'For once he needs to make this a race that's not just about him,' said GOP consultant and former Romney adviser Kevin Madden. 'Clinton wants this race to be a referendum on Trump and his lack of temperament, and every time she lays the bait he never disappoints in taking it."

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WHILE YOU WERE SLEEPING:



President Obama greets Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi at the White House. (EPA/Michael Reynolds)

-- President Obama hosted his final state dinner, honoring Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi and his wife at a celebratory -- yet nostalgic -- reception. "If there was a collective emotion that defined the night it'd be a mix of joy and pain," Helena Andrews-Dyer and Emily Heil wrote. "Everyone involved in the Obamas' last black tie gala felt it. From guest chef Mario Batali, who said that knowing this dinner is the last adds its own brand of pride and pressure, to the president himself, who called the swanky swan song 'a bittersweet moment.' Held in a tent on the South Lawn dripping with chandeliers

and dotted with mirrored tables to conjure up the Italian 'fresco' technique, the evening featured a stroll through the first lady's kitchen garden ... a four-course meal prepared by Batali and a performance by Gwen Stefani ... But despite the night's obvious symbolism as a denouement the dinner's guests probably took the opening lines of the president's traditional toast to heart: 'In the immortal words of a great Italian American, Yogi Berra, 'It ain't over 'till it's over.'"

The Obamas rewarded many of their most loyal staffers with seats at the dinner. Among the 380 guests were the first lady's hair stylist, makeup artist, and personal trainer...

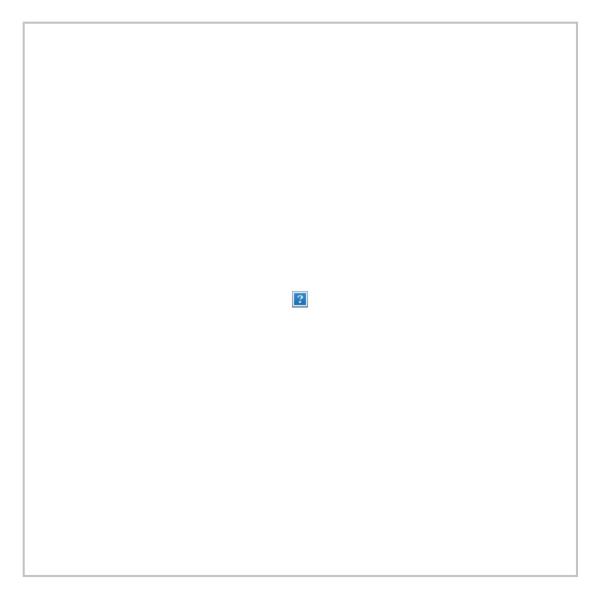
FLOTUS wore a custom rose-gold chain-mail gown from Atelier Versace. It was a slinky gown with an asymmetrical neckline that slithered like liquid metal down her torso and around her hips. "It was pure Hollywood glamour," writes Fashion Critic Robin Givhan.



-- Ecuador acknowledged that it "temporarily restricted" the Internet access of WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange at its United Kingdom embassy after WikiLeaks posted John Podesta's emails. A foreign ministry statement said that while it stands by its decision in 2012 to grant Assange asylum, it doesn't interfere in foreign elections. The ministry didn't specify the extent of the restrictions on Assange's cyber access, saying only that the limitations wouldn't affect WikiLeaks's ability to carry out its journalistic activities. Do not forget: Assange is hiding out in the

embassy to avoid facing trial for alleged sexual assault. (Nick Miroff)

- -- Marco Rubio urged Trump and the RNC to stop attacking Clinton over hacked emails published by Wikileaks: "As our intelligence agencies have said, these leaks are an effort by a foreign government to interfere with our electoral process and I will not indulge it," Rubio told ABC News's Jon Karl in an interview. "Further, I want to warn my fellow Republicans who may want to capitalize politically on these leaks: Today it is the Democrats. Tomorrow it could be us."
- -- Speaking of insecure email servers, Trump lives in a glass house. From Mother Jones' Joseph Cox: "A researcher has found that a number of email servers linked to [Trump's] hotel and others businesses are running horribly out of date software which receive no security patches, and are lacking other precautions for keeping hackers out." A number of mail servers for TrumpOrg.com, a domain registered to The Trump Organization, are using end-of-life software, including the operating system Windows Server 2003 and IIS 6.0. "Running outdated software and operating systems for your publicly facing email infrastructure is problematic, especially when you're a high profile organisation," said security architect Kevin Beaumont. "During an election where cybersecurity is such a big issue, I was a little amazed at what I saw."



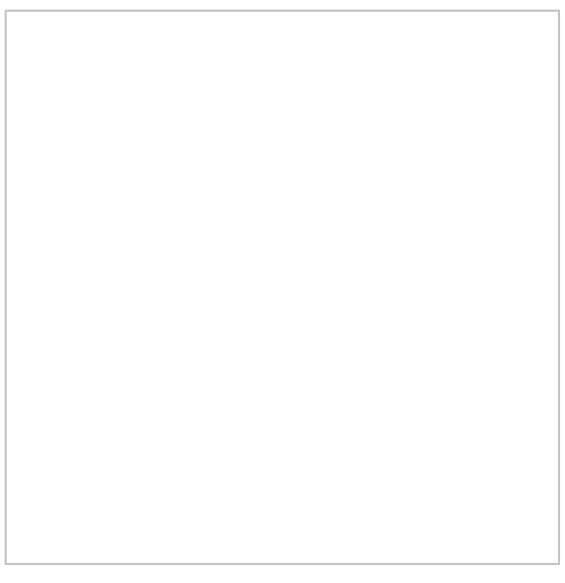
Filipino villagers gather as they prepare for a super typhoon that may hit their village. (EPA)

GET SMART FAST:

 A dangerous super typhoon is spinning like a table saw towards the Philippines, barreling down with Category-5 level winds of 160 mph. Local emergency managers are warning storm surge could exceed 15 feet when it makes landfall. The storm's arrival comes just days after another typhoon struck the country, killing at least two people. (Angela Fritz)

- A former Arkansas judge has been arrested and accused of giving lenient sentences to male defendants in exchange for sexual favors – soliciting at least nine men between the ages of 16 and 22 for what he referred to as "community service." (Kristine Guerra)
- 3. A magistrate judge delivered a victory to a transgender high school student in Illinois, allowing her to continue to use a bathroom and locker room corresponding with her gender identity. (Derek Hawkins)
- 4. More police officers have been killed in the line of duty so far this year than all of last year combined. But federal statistics also show that being a law enforcement officer has continually gotten safer over the last four decades. Since the 1970s, the death toll for cops decreased by more than half. (Mark Berman)
- Warring parties in Yemen agreed to a 72-hour ceasefire. The U.N. hopes the temporary truce will lead to a "permanent and lasting end" to the conflict. (AP)
- 6. A new lawsuit accuses public schools in Flint, Mich., of failing to meet obligations to screen children for lead exposure. The complaint alleges that the city's public school system has also failed to provide critical services and interventions to counter the effects of lead exposure. (Emma Brown)
- 7. The University of Maryland agreed to hire more staff to address sexual assault on campus, after reports that a faculty shortage was slowing down open investigations. Student government leaders proposed a student fee to help fund the office. (Susan Svrluga)

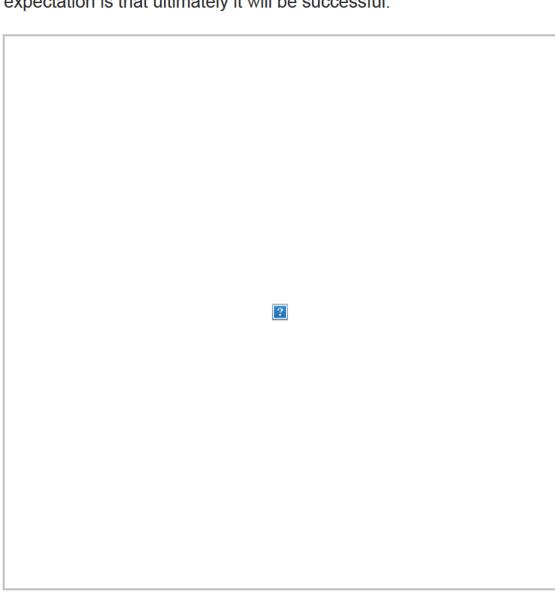
- 8. Samsung is setting up pop-up phone exchange booths at airports across the country, allowing busy travelers to trade in Galaxy 7 smartphones that were recently banned from all U.S. flights. But it's unclear what devices the kiosks will offer in replacement and, as Hayley Tsukayama notes, a crowded airport is probably not the ideal place to make such a major purchase.
- 9. The Transylvania castle that inspired the "Dracula" novels will be open to two brave souls on Halloween night, thanks to an Airbnb contest. Winners will spend the night in the 14th century digs, eating by candlelight and sleeping in velvet-lined coffins. (Cleve R. Wootson Jr.)



Members of the Iraqi Special Operations Forces outside Mosul today. (Azad Lashkari/Reuters)

-- A dispatch from the front lines --> "Evidence of a 'difficult fight' ahead as forces move toward ISIS-held Mosul," by Kareem Fahim and Loveday Morris: "To defend a few miles of unremarkable road in northern Iraq, flanked by farmland, the occasional factory and flyspeck hamlets and villages, the Islamic State militants seemed to spare no effort. They loaded a Volkswagen with explosives and secreted remote-detonated bombs ... They burned tires and dug large tunnels in houses ... The arsenal ultimately failed to protect the militants. But it seemed to slow down the action, tying up a large

contingent of Iraqi soldiers as they tried to clear the road and villages of booby traps, a few wearying feet at a time. There were still 12 grueling miles left to travel before reaching the city's outskirts. The struggle for Mosul ... is the largest and most complex so far in the battle against [ISIS] militants, who have been digging in for a fight. Residents who have recently fled the area ... say the Islamic State has been erecting concrete barricades and filling trenches with oil that can be set on fire to slow advancing forces. 'It's going to be a tough fight and a difficult fight,' Obama said on Tuesday. 'But my expectation is that ultimately it will be successful.'"



Makia Nunes, moments after she became a U.S. citizen yesterday, kisses a cardboard cutout of Hillary. She registered to vote immediately after her Naturalization Ceremony in Los Angeles. (Frederic J. Brown/AFP/Getty Images)

THE RACE CONTINUES TO MOVE AWAY FROM TRUMP:

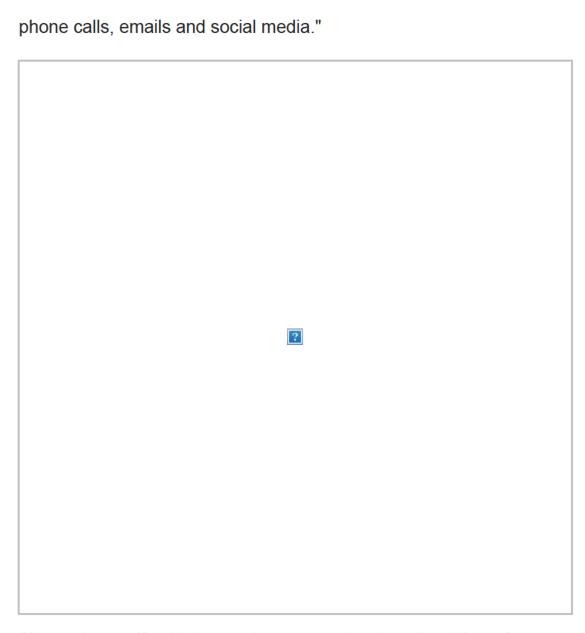
- -- The chairman of a pro-Trump super PAC, Ed Rollins, told Laura Ingraham that it "would take a miracle at this point" for Trump to win.
- -- Pre-spinning the loss, Trump campaign manager Kellyanne
 Conway says she cannot believe Clinton is not winning by a
 bigger margin given her numerous built-in advantages: "She has
 endless money. She's got a lot of the media. She has a very popular
 president and first lady campaigning for her," Conway told Anderson
 Cooper. "I will tell you, I am mystified as to why she can't get to those
 52, 53 percent numbers in some of these states given the
 disadvantages we're handed every day."
- -- Las Vegas bookies now have Clinton as a six-to-one favorite.
- -- A Washington Post/Survey Monkey poll of 15 battleground states gives Clinton a "decisive advantage" over Trump in the competition for Electoral College votes. From Dan Balz and Scott Clement: "Based on the results ... along with assumptions of the likely outcomes in other states that have consistently voted for one party or the other, [Clinton] holds leads of four percentage points or more among likely voters in states that add up to 304 electoral votes. Trump, [meanwhile], has the advantage in states with an estimated electoral vote total of 138. Arizona, Florida, Ohio and Texas, which account for 96 electoral votes, remain as toss-ups."

Down-ballot Republicans continue to outperform Trump in our survey: "Democrats need a net gain of five seats to take outright control -- four to exercise control if Clinton becomes president. The results showed Democrats with leads of four or more points in three states with GOP incumbents: New Hampshire, North Carolina and Wisconsin. Republican incumbents lead in Florida and Ohio, in the latter by a wide margin. Meanwhile, races in Nevada, for a seat currently held by Democrats, and Pennsylvania, for a seat now in Republican hands, continue to be close."

- -- A <u>Bloomberg Politics poll</u> shows Clinton with a 9 point national lead (50-41). The two tied last month. Trump is losing support among both men and those without college degrees. "This poll shows movement toward Clinton with all the right groups it takes to win," said pollster J. Ann Selzer. "Their alignment with Clinton is a formidable change in the algebra."
- -- An Arizona Republic/Arizona State University poll shows
 Clinton AHEAD in ARIZONA by 5 points. Waning support for the
 Republican nominee does not appear to have shifted down-ballot,
 however, with McCain leading by 11 points over Democratic
 challenger Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick. Support for the presidential
 candidates also appears to be somewhat baked into the cake,
 with two-thirds of voters saying they were not influenced by the
 previous two debates. Of respondents who indicated the debate
 was influential, 16 percent said they were more likely to back Clinton.
 9 percent said the same of Trump.
- -- The <u>University of Houston</u> finds Trump is only ahead by 3 points in Texas (41-38).

- -- St. Norbert College shows Clinton leading by 8 points in Wisconsin (47-39).
- -- Monmouth University puts Clinton up 7 points in Nevada (47-40). Her surge in the state is largely attributed to younger, non-white voters moving into her column over the past month.
- -- A Fox News national poll shows Clinton up 6 points (45-39).
- -- The Japanese newspaper Asahi Shimbun conducted a poll asking which candidate people thought would be more appropriate as the U.S. president. They found that only 3 percent of Japanese picked Trump, while 73 percent preferred Clinton.

 The rest had no opinion. The wording is non-traditional, but WaPo pollster Scott Clement checked out the paper's methodology and says it is legit. This will not surprise close poll watchers. Previous international surveys have found Trump to be exceptionally unpopular.
- -- Fear of an imminent terrorist attack is one of the top concerns of people across the globe, with most expecting extremist groups will acquire weapons of mass destruction, according to a new poll conducted in eight countries. From Carol Morello: "The survey, commissioned by the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), showed that many people think their governments are not doing enough to combat violent extremism. And a majority in every country polled, including the United States, overwhelmingly approved all 21 options presented to them among them, requiring identification cards for citizens and visitors; rigorous screening of immigrants; bans on incendiary religious speech; and monitoring of



Clinton takes a selfie with the crowd at a voter registration rally at Wayne State University in Detroit. (Reuters/Lucy Nicholson)

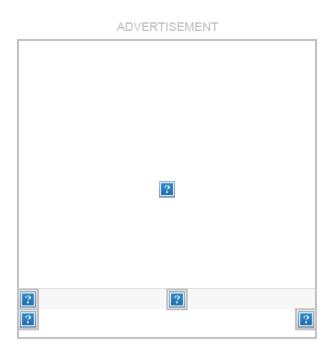
THE DAILY HILLARY:

-- Former FBI agent Brian McCauley pushed back on allegations of a "quid pro quo." He confirmed that he spoke to a top State Department official about changing the classified status of one of Clinton's emails, as well as a long-standing FBI request for additional staffing in U.S. embassies, but he denied that any

Zapotosky, McCauley acknowledged that he offered to do a favor in exchange for another favor, but before he had any inkling of what Kennedy wanted. "I said, 'Absolutely not, I can't help you,' and he took that, and it was fine," said McCauley, who was the FBI's deputy assistant director for international operations from 2012 to 2015. McCauley said that when he learned the missive concerned the attack on the U.S. diplomatic facility in Benghazi, Libya, he told Kennedy he could not help him. "I said, 'Absolutely not, I can't help you,' and he took that, and it was fine," said McCauley, who was the FBI's deputy assistant director for international operations from 2012 to 2015.

- -- "Black activists and organizers, frustrated with the Clinton campaign's inability to engage young voters, have taken it upon themselves to challenge their peers to consider the consequences if Republicans take the White House," Vanessa Williams reports. "They also have encouraged young voters to focus on state and local elections, because those officials make decisions about how police departments and schools are run, issues that more directly affect their lives. Younger African Americans, like many millennials, are not excited about this year's presidential election ... [but] because Trump's campaign has laid bare racist attitudes, the seeming indifference of black millennials to the election has sparked broad discussion within the African American community."
- -- Seventy Nobel Laureates endorsed Clinton, arguing that her election is "crucial for safeguarding freedom and preserving a constitutional government." Signatories include world-renowned

experts in science, medicine and economics, such as chemist Peter Agre, economist Robert Shiller, and physicist Robert Woodrow Wilson. Separately, a group of 140 conservative writers urged voters to reject Trump, calling him "most dangerous to our nation's founding ideals" in an open letter. Several former Republican White House staffers are on the list. (New York Times)





-- An early draft of Clinton's V.P. list: John Podesta in mid-March emailed Clinton a preliminary list of names to consider for her running mate, organized into what he termed "rough food groups." WikiLeaks posted it yesterday, and the Journal wrote it up:

The first group included her **Latino options**, including Secretary of Labor Tom Perez and Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Julián Castro.

The second consisted of **black candidates**, including Cory Booker and Eric Holder.

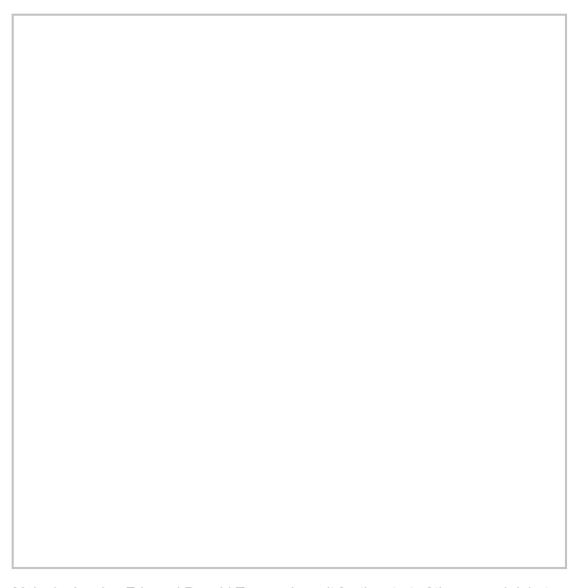
The third was **white men who could help in a swing state**, including Tim Kaine, Terry McAuliffe and Sherrod Brown.

Another section included **seven women**, including Elizabeth Warren and Jeanne Shaheen.

He also suggested **three military names**, including retired Marine Corps Gen. John Allen.

Podesta also floated **corporate options**, including Bill Gates,
Starbucks CEO Howard Schultz, Michael Bloomberg; Apple CEO Tim
Cook and Coca-Cola Co. CEO Muhtar Kent.

The final category had just one name: **Bernie Sanders**.



Melania, Ivanka, Eric and Donald Trump, Jr. wait for the start of the second debate St. Louis. (John Locher/AP)

THE DAILY DONALD:

-- People Magazine published six stories from friends and colleagues of Trump accuser Natasha Stoynoff, corroborating her accusation that the Republican nominee forced himself on her in 2005. Two people who went on the record are now People editors - deputy East Coast editor Mary Green and East Coast editor Liz McNeil. Another is Stoynoff's former journalism professor, who says she called him looking for advice immediately afterwards. And

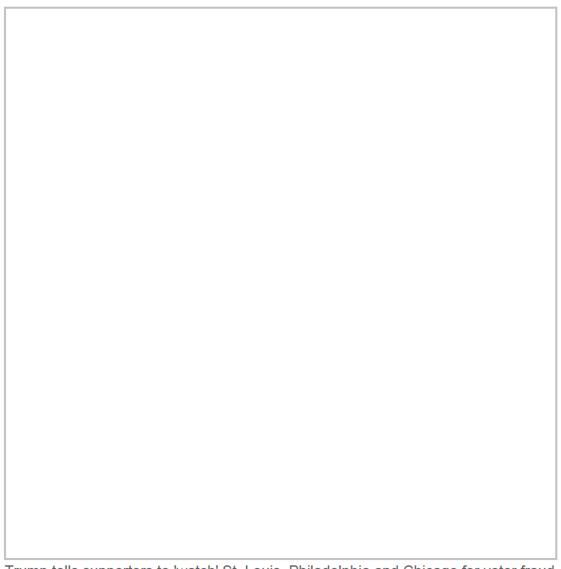
yet another friend went on the record to back her claims that she ran into Melania Trump on Fifth Avenue after the assault. The report comes as both Donald and Melania have denied the story and threatened legal action.

- -- Video surfaced yesterday of Trump attacking Condi Rice in 2006: "I wish she was a b**ch," he said. "I don't care if she's a lovely woman. I want somebody that can go and make deals. She goes to countries, nothing ever happens. Except sound bytes." When asked if she had any response to the New York Daily News report on Trump's remarks, the former secretary of state emailed CNN: "Can't wait until November 9!"
- -- Trump's alleged misconduct has started a national conversation about sexual assault. From Katie Zezima: "The debate has been particularly painful for many victims of sexual assault, who now must endure nonstop coverage of allegations of groping and kissing without consent — along with backlash against the women who made the claims about Trump. But in the 2016 presidential election, the issue has become sharply divided along partisan lines, including claims by some Trump allies that the behavior described by Trump's accusers ... might not be considered assault. The resistance against the accusers is particularly awkward for the Trump campaign, which simultaneously argues that women who accused Bill Clinton of wrongdoing years ago should be believed." GOP strategist Ashley O'Connor said that Trump is essentially saying, "You need to believe the people who have come forward and accused [Bill]. You need to believe that [Hillary] was attacking these women. But don't believe the women who have come

forward against me."

- -- Melania is taking a page from the old Hillary playbook: "Until now, Melania Trump has declined to fulfill the mundane tasks of political wives, saying her duties to her young son are more important than the demand that a spouse go along for the ride to 'humanize' a candidate," Karen Tumulty writes. "Now, however, she has found herself in a time-honored duty for a political wife when a sex scandal hits cleanup. [But] even as she defends her husband, [Melania] is willing to go only so far: In a moment where the script would appear to call for her to share a little more about 'the man I know,' she offered no personal glimpses of their lives. There was nothing more revealing than what one might hear in a campaign ad outside, perhaps, her observation that she feels like she is living with two boys, not one."
- -- Ivanka addressed her father's lewd 2005 remarks for the first time, telling Fast Company that his conversation with Billy Bush was "clearly inappropriate and offensive." "I'm glad that he acknowledged this fact with an immediate apology to my family and the American people," she added in a statement.
- -- Donald Jr. has made a series of offensive statements during interviews with shock-jock radio hosts. CNN's Andrew Kaczynski unearthed a trove of controversial remarks from the candidate's son:
 - He joked about the Aurora movie theater shooting on the same day 12 people were killed: After footage was played from a witness recounting the tragedy, Trump Jr. quipped that the survivor will still give the film "two thumbs up."

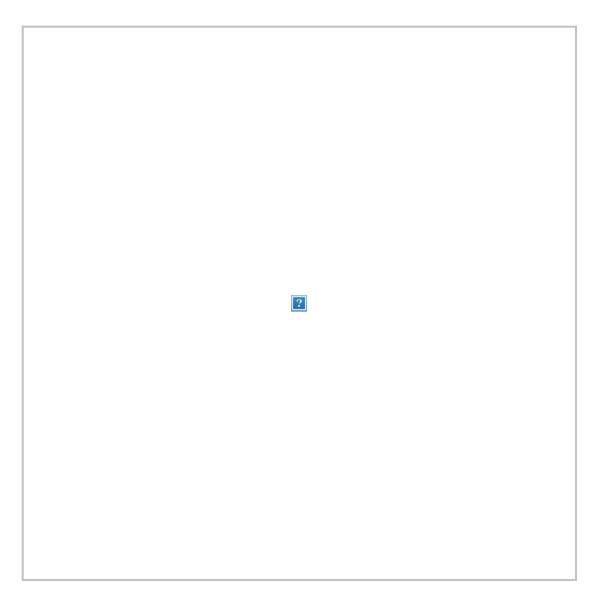
- He joked about child abuse at beauty pageants: "They yell at the kids like, yeah 'You didn't do good, you forgot to turn! You forgot your turn!" a host said, depicting the role of a stage parent. "The kids, they're crying," Trump Jr. said. "I just wanna play with Barbie." "She beats me when you're not here," said the host. "She's like limping," added Trump Jr., mocking a child's voice. "'Help me, help me." Trump Jr. added of the moms at beauty pageants, "They're all fat. Ugly."
- On not being able to mock overweight people: "By the way
 you can't ... even make fat jokes now ... that's almost the worst
 one," he said. "It's easier to, like, do a racial thing, than it is a fat
 one because everyone knows they're fat and they get really
 offended."



Trump tells supporters to 'watch' St. Louis, Philadelphia and Chicago for voter fraud

-- Doubling down on his rigged election rhetoric, Trump yesterday provided his supporters with a list of three cities where they should watch for corruption on Election Day. "Take a look at St. Louis. Take a look at Philadelphia. Take a look at Chicago," Trump said in Colorado. "Look, look, if nothing else, people are going to be watching on November 8. Watch Philadelphia. Watch St. Louis. Watch Chicago, watch Chicago. Watch so many other places." (Two of those cities are in states that are not considered competitive, Jenna Johnson notes.)

- -- Local election officials are panicking that Trump's reckless rhetoric will lead his supporters to bring guns to polling places, but they're mostly powerless to do anything about it: "The Prince William County (Virginia) electoral board ... considered seeking a one-day ban on weapons at polling places located on private property but was rebuked by a gun-friendly state legislator." Patricia Sullivan reports. "Del. Robert G. Marshall (R-Prince William) sent a letter to the board pointing out that it has no power to ban guns from polling places except for schools and courthouses, where weapons are prohibited by state law. ... Virginia's election officials have been discussing on their private email list the possibility of intimidation or violence Nov. 8 and talking about what to do about unruly observers. ... Seventy of Prince William's 91 polling places are in schools, with the remaining 21 in churches, fire halls and community centers. Firearms are allowed in county government buildings, such as fire stations, libraries and community centers."
- -- Trump called for a Constitutional amendment to put in place congressional term limits, but he provided no details about the details. (Jenna Johnson)



Supporters of Nicolas Maduro display a giant inflatable dummy depicting late President Hugo Chavez in Caracas. (Juan Barreto/Getty)

-- Venezuelan journalist and political scientist Francisco Toro argues that Trump really is much more like Nicolás Maduro than Hugo Chavez: "Again and again, since taking over in 2013, Maduro has run roughshod over the constitution in ways Chávez never dared to ... [and] for Venezuelans, the past year has been an object lesson in how dangerous this approach can be. Last week, we followed this crazy dynamic off the deep end, when the court overturned 800 years of constitutional practice, dating back to the original Magna Carta, ruling that when the constitution says the legislative branch has to

vote on the national budget, it means the president can just approve budgets on his own. ... Having your democracy commit suicide under the lure of a charismatic demagogue is not the kind of experience you can fully make sense of unless you've lived it in your own skin. Before 2016, no explanation I could give my American friends was enough. Now, my American friends can just turn on CNN and watch it happening live."

THE BATTLEGROUNDS:

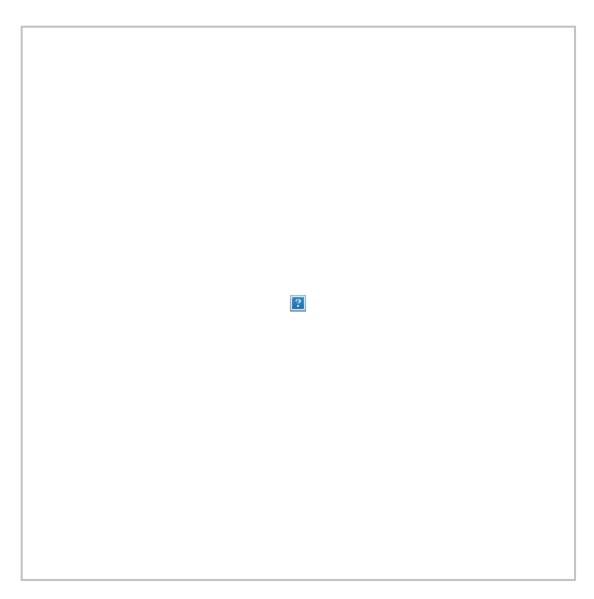
- -- A civil rights group filed a federal lawsuit to force Virginia to extend its voter registration period, after the state's online system crashed on Monday. The technological glitch prohibited registration from an unknown number of participants. Some have estimated the number to be in the "tens of thousands." (Laura Vozzella)
- -- Pro-Clinton super PAC Priorities USA announced it will begin airing ads in two Senate races and will start airing television and radio ads in Georgia to boost Clinton. "New ads will support Gov. Maggie Hassan in the New Hampshire Senate race against Republican Sen. Kelly Ayotte and Katie McGinty in the Pennsylvania Senate race against Sen. Patrick J. Toomey," Abby Phillip writes. "The super PAC also plans a new seven-figure television ad buy in Georgia in addition to new radio ads targeted at African American voters. The state has not been won by the Democratic presidential nominee since 1992."
- -- DNC officials issued an apology after one of its campaign buses was recorded illegally dumping sewage into a Georgia

storm drain, calling the leak an "honest" but "unacceptable" mistake. The driver of the bus – adorned with larger-than-life faces of Clinton and Kaine – said the vehicle's sewage tank was full and leaking out. A guy in an auto parts repair store spotted him and record it. (Katie Mettler)

- -- The race for Rep. Barbara Comstock's House seat in Northern Virginia has tightened. From Jenna Portnoy: The Cook Political Report is moving the race up to toss-up, while the Rothenberg & Gonzales Political Report already considers it a toss-up district, tilting to the Republican. "Experts consider the district among the most competitive in the nation despite lackluster fundraising numbers from Democratic challenger LuAnn Bennett and evidence [Trump] might not be the anchor on down-ballot candidates some had expected," Portnoy writes. The two will face off this morning for the final debate of the campaign.
- Bloc: White Catholics," by the New York Times's Jason Horowitz in Philly: "Since the election of Ronald Reagan, white Roman Catholics have flocked to Republican nominees for a raft of reasons, including their stances on social issues like abortion and same-sex marriage. But this year, something seems different. 'Trump is the exception to the rule,' said 67-year-old Carol Robinson, leaving an afternoon prayer meeting in Philadelphia. 'He's a loose cannon.' Roman Catholics are the country's second-largest religious group after evangelical Protestants, and they are as diverse as the country itself, with young liberals, cultural conservatives and, increasingly, Democratic-leaning Hispanics."

One quiet influencer could be Pope Francis, wh emphasizes inclusion and the welfare of the poor over divisive issues like abortion and homosexuality. In February, he suggested Trump "is not a Christian."

-- Harry Reid reflects on when Trump used to be one of his donors in an interview with Paul Kane: "Reid found a priceless piece of memorabilia recently while sorting through 34 years of congressional papers. It's a picture of Reid with [Trump], inside the real-estate developer's Manhattan home, both men smiling. He's pretty sure it's from 1992, when [he] was running his first Senate reelection bid and when [Trump] was happy to help Democrats. Reid appreciated Trump's generosity. 'He wasn't much of a big shot then, neither was I,' Reid recalled ... Over the years when Trump was a reliable donor to Senate Democrats, Reid saw no signs of a future Republican presidential candidate who he would later eviscerate as a 'racist' and a 'human leech.' Now, heading into political twilight, the former boxer is clearly relishing what is essentially his last campaign through attacks on Trump ... 'I'm kind of an unusual politician,' he said."



Libertarian Lucy Brenton, Democrat Evan Bayh and Republican Todd Young debate in Indianapolis last night. (AP Photo/Michael Conroy, Pool)

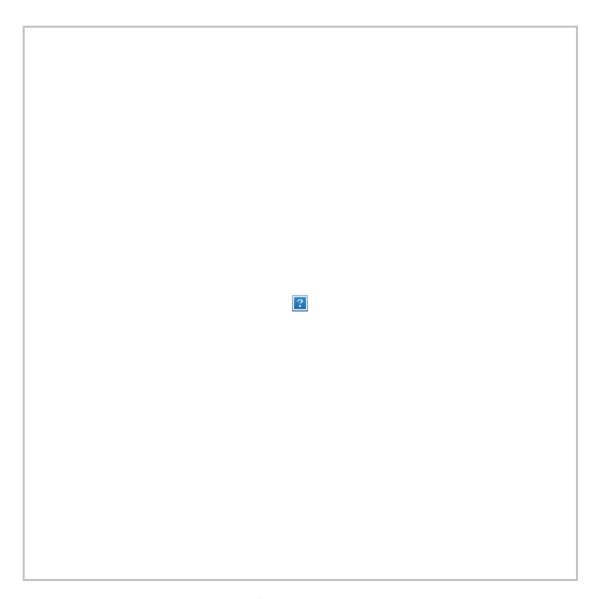
SENATE DEBATES:

-- "Indiana's Senate race got personal Tuesday," the Indianapolis Star's Maureen Groppe and James Briggs write.

"After weeks of attacking each other in campaign commercials, former Sen. Evan Bayh and GOP Rep. Todd Young directly accused each other of not representing Hoosiers' interests in their [sole debate] ... Young repeatedly charged Bayh, a Democrat, with following the orders of Washington insiders and looking out for

himself. 'Evan Bayh took the money and ran,' Young said after criticizing Bayh's vote for the Affordable Care Act. 'He joined a major lobbying firm in Washington, D.C., and he represented clients that needed relief from the very problem he created from Obamacare.' Bayh said Young has voted against the needs of veterans, seniors and workers who are losing their jobs to overseas competition. And he accused Young of lying about his record. 'Congressman Young has told so many whoppers here tonight, it's hard to keep track," Bayh said.

-- The final debate between Sen. Ron Johnson and Democrat Russ Feingold also turned personal, the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel's Bill Glauber reports: "Skirmishing over campaign finance, national security, the economy and the presidential candidates, the men engaged in a feisty 90-minute clash ... With polls showing a tight race, there was little room for error as the candidates sought to shore up their base support while reaching out to the small number of undecided voters. In a sense, the debate was six years in the making as the two men entered the closing stretch of their rematch race. Throughout the debate, Feingold claimed that Johnson 'didn't have a plan' on issues. Johnson fired back, 'Senator Feingold' is always going to have a plan to grow government." "I will stand with the people of this state," Feingold said. "Senator Johnson stands with the corporations, the billionaires and the multi-millionaires." In rebuttal, Johnson said he "understands what it's like to work": "I'm the working man," he said. "I've worked hard all my life."



A pan handler sits with a "Give me \$1 or I'm voting for Trump" sign in Manhattan. (Carlo Allegri)

IT'S SILLY SEASON:

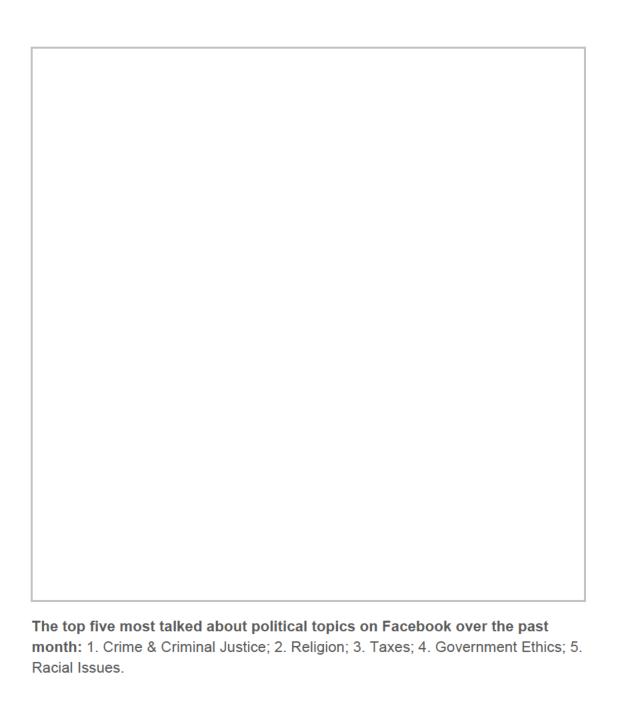
-- A Wisconsin woman was arrested after she spread peanut butter on 30 cars that she believed belonged to Trump supporters. But it turns out the cars actually belonged to members of a local conservation club! "Witnesses said 32-year-old Christina Ferguson stormed into the club meeting on Monday night, holding what a Portage County deputy's report described as a 'family-size jar of low-sodium, creamy natural Jif," HuffPost reports. "Officers

said Ferguson grew emotional as she explained how much she loved Clinton and hated Trump. She then explained why she'd misused peanut butter. 'Peanut butter is better than fire-bombing,' the officer quoted her as saying. She added that Trump wants to fire-bomb everybody in other countries."

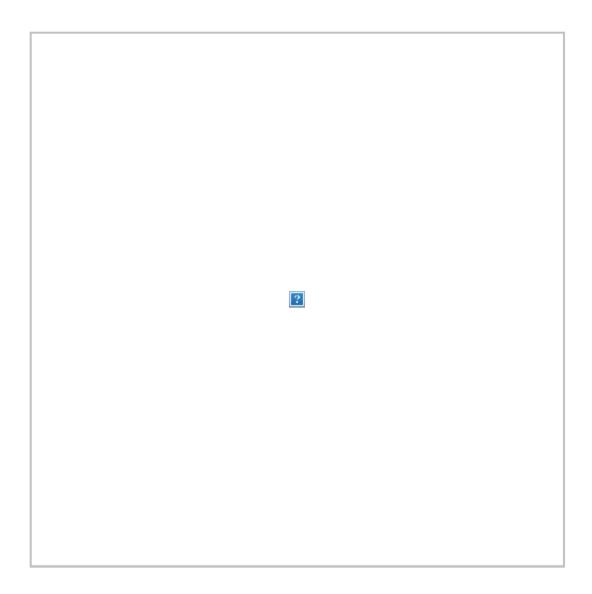
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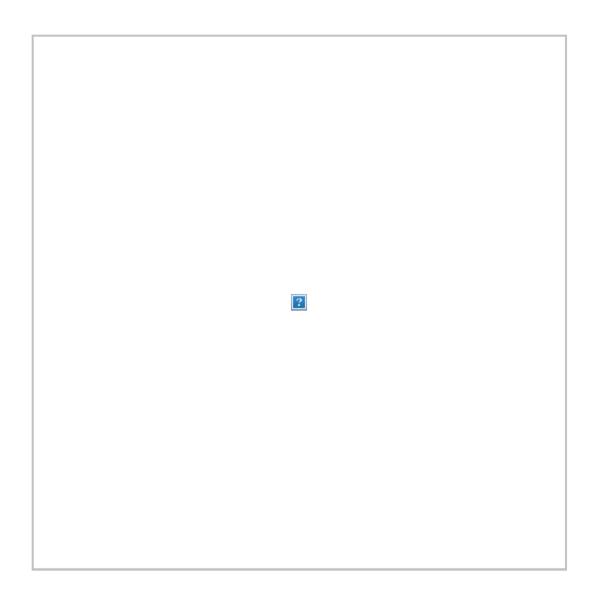
Over 62 million people on Facebook in the U.S. posted about, shared, liked or commented on content related to Trump over 931 million times in the last month. The chart below shows the unique number of people on Facebook engaging in the conversation about each candidate – as well as the number of interactions those people generated. Interactions represents the total aggregate number of likes, posts, comments and shares made about a particular candidate within the timeframe. The interactions figure includes not only the activity on the candidate's page, but all of the likes, posts, comments and shares about that candidate from throughout Facebook:



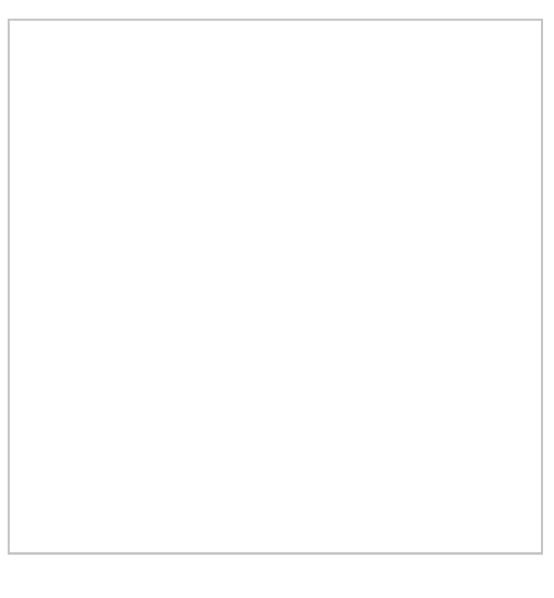
The Onion is on the lookout for late-breaking Trump news:



Coming soon to a Las Vegas billboard:

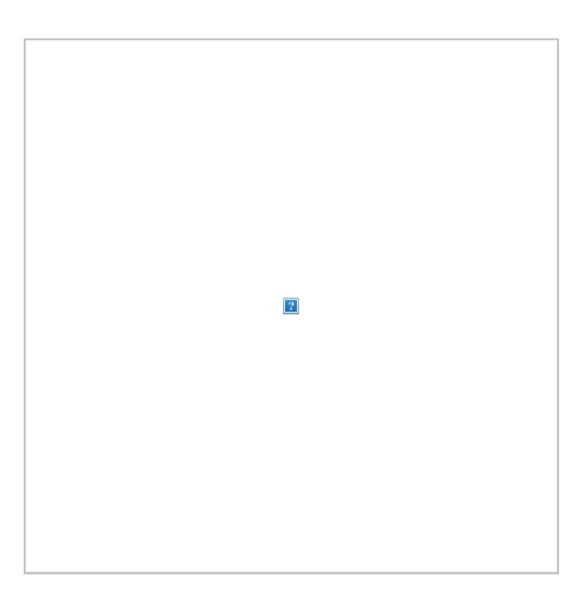


Fox's Sean Hannity and CNN's Brian Stelter went back-and-forth on the issue of voter fraud:

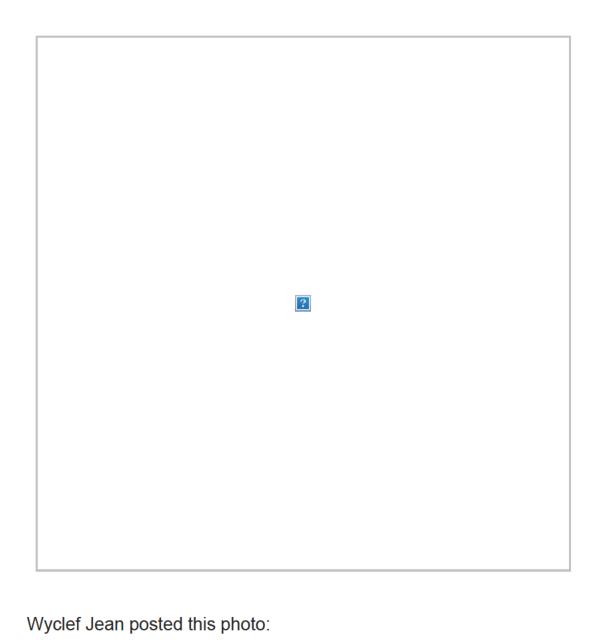


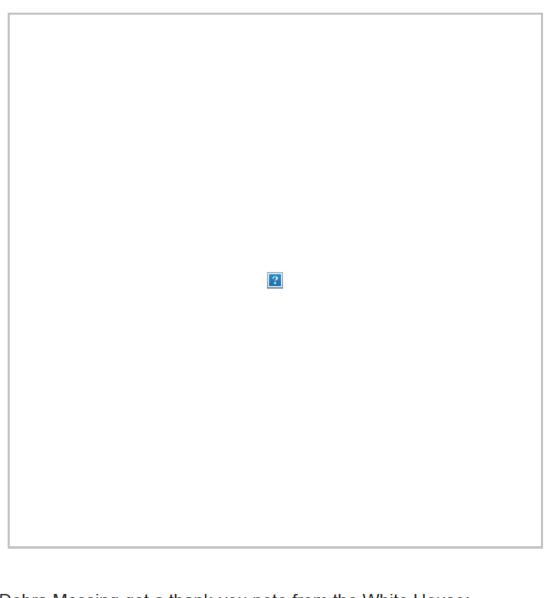
Mike Pence observed some of the damage from the firebombing in North Carolina and called it "an act of political terrorism":

Vogue endorsed Clinton, making the first ever political endorsement in the magazine's history. "We understand that Clinton has not always been a perfect candidate, yet her fierce intelligence and considerable experience are reflected in policies and positions that are clear, sound and hopeful," the magazine's editors write.

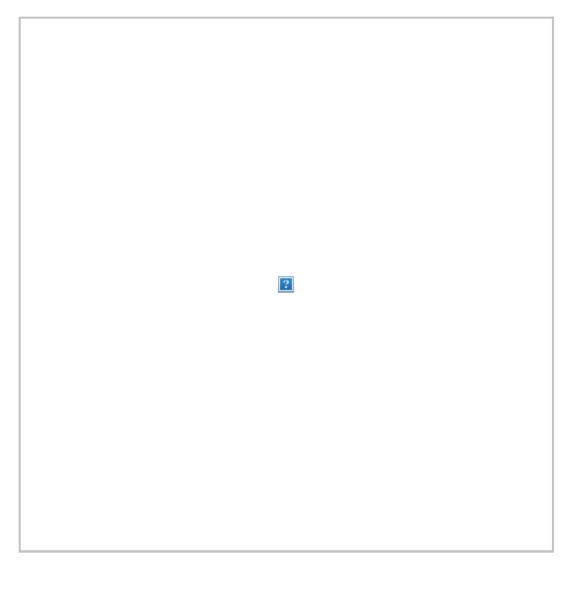


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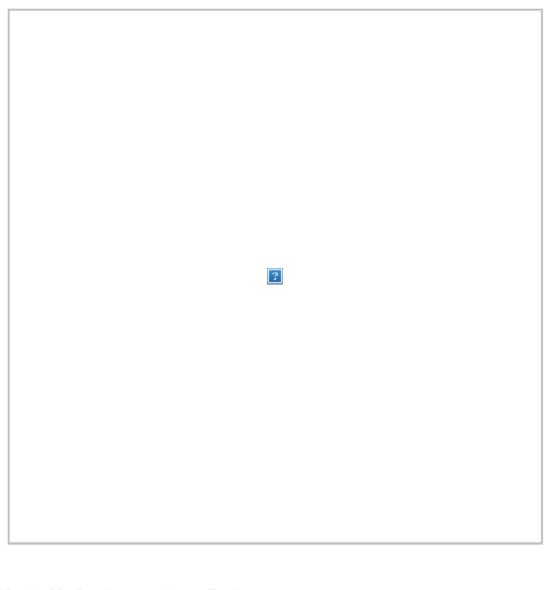




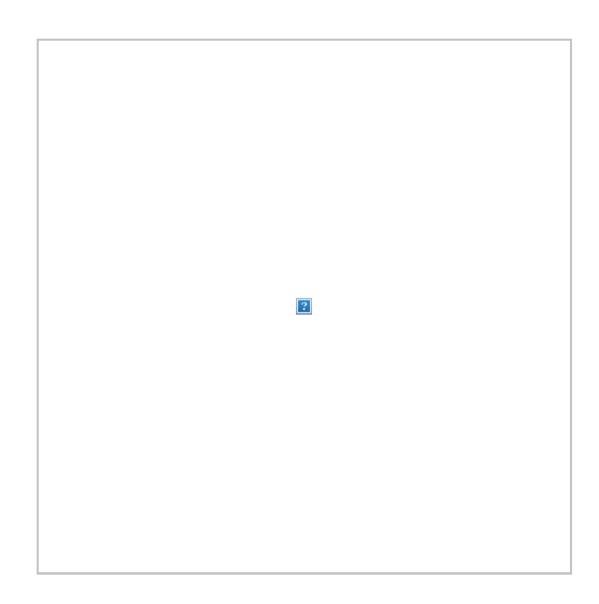
Debra Messing got a thank-you note from the White House:



Jason Chaffetz took this selfie while camping:



Kevin McCarthy went to a Dodgers game:



GOOD READS FROM ELSEWHERE:

Target These Days," by Dave Itzkoff: "Why does David Letterman have a beard? To put it more precisely: Why did Mr. Letterman, after stepping down from CBS's 'Late Show' and a 33-year career ... spend the past year and a half cultivating a fleecy and prodigious mound of facial hair ...? Did he grow these imposing bristles to keep the world at bay while he withdrew into retirement?" Was it his way of saying he was no longer the man who had spent 6,000 evenings reading Top 10 lists and interviewing 20,000 guests? Actually, he

explained, 'I just got tired of shaving every day, but then it became something else, and I'm not quite sure what it became.' In his dry Midwestern delivery, tinged with a new and unaccustomed element of wistfulness, he said: 'The beard is a good reminder to me that that was a different life. I'm hopeful that I will either find something else, or something else will be presented to me.' ... With years of vitality left, he has been trying, since his 'Late Show' farewell in May 2015, to figure out what his next step should be."

- -- National security reporter Walter Pincus prepared a list of pressing foreign policy questions that Trump and Clinton should answer in tonight's debate. Some highlights from his column for the Cipher Brief:
 - For Trump, on Russia: "At the last debate, despite your being briefed by intelligence analysts and after Director of National Intelligence James Clapper publicly identified Russia as doing the hacking, you said [Clinton] 'doesn't know if it's the Russians doing the hacking,' and then added, 'Maybe there is no hacking.' Do you not trust the U.S. intelligence community determination ... that the Russians are behind the hacking of the [DNC] emails?"
 - For Clinton, on Syria: "You are advocating a no-fly zone and safe zones. Define just what would be involved on the part of the U.S. and its allies – including forces in the air and on the ground [for protection] ... Would you seek congressional authorization to use American armed forces which will have to strike at Syrian government targets, something normally considered an act of war?"

For Trump, on Syria: On Oct. 9, you said "Syria is no longer Syria. Syria is Russia and it's Iran.' You also said Assad forces and the Russians in Syria were fighting ISIS, and implied if you were president you would no longer support any anti-Assad forces. Instead you would join with the Russians, Iranians and Assad regime in fighting ISIS. Would that be your policy for Syria? And if the Assad regime, supported by Russian and Iranian military forces, attempted to regain control over all of Syria, would you stand aside and let that happen?"

HOT ON THE LEFT

HOT ON THE RIGHT

Two little known but influential Democratic operatives lost their jobs after edited footage from a video sting by conservative activist James O'Keefe found them entertaining "dark notions" about how to win elections. From Dave Weigel: "Footage from the video shows [Scott] Foval, a Wisconsin-based politico with a long resume, bragging about a litary of political dirty tricks. In the first video, he boasts of 'conflict engagement in the lines of Trump rallies,' takes credit for the violence that canceled a Trump rally at the University of Illinois in Chicago (and) admits

he's paid 'mentally ill'
people to start trouble."
Robert Creamer also
announced he is stepping
down from the work he was
doing for a progressive
consulting group following
release of the tape. On
Tuesday night's episode of
"Hannity," two campaign
representatives said that
the tapes "validated
everything" Trump had said
about the possible threat of
the election being stolen.

DAYBOOK:

On the campaign trail: Trump and Clinton debate in Las Vegas. Tim Kaine speaks in Upper Arlington and Springfield, Ohio and Asheville, N.C.; Bernie Sanders rallies Clinton supporters in Reno, Nev. Pence speaks in Durango, Colo.

At the White House: Obama has no public events scheduled. Biden speaks about the Cancer Moonshot at the SAP Global CEO Summit in New York. Later, he travels to Boston to speak again about the project at the Edward M. Kennedy Institute.

On Capitol Hill: The Senate and House are out.

QUOTE OF THE DAY:

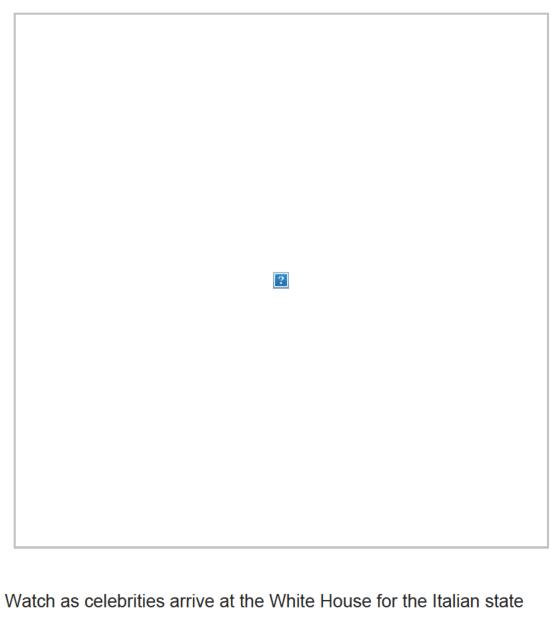
Obama mocked Trump for griping about a rigged election: "You start whining before the game's even over?"

NEWS YOU CAN USE IF YOU LIVE IN D.C.:

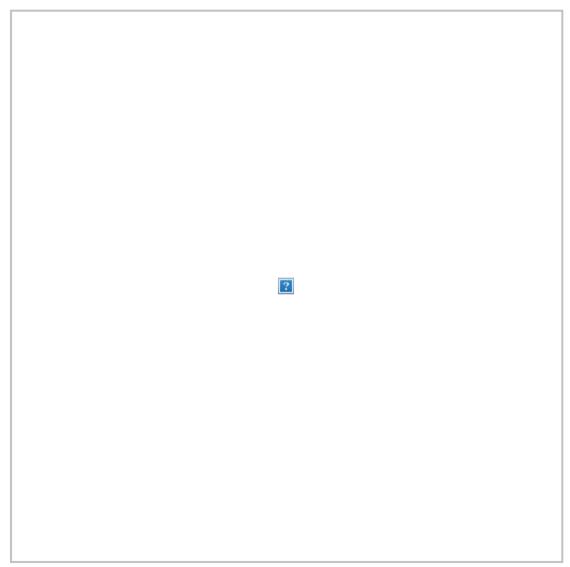
- -- "A solidly summerlike day, with partly to mostly sunny skies and noticeable humidity," the Capital Weather Gang forecasts. "Highs head for the mid-80s, with light winds from the west-southwest around 5-10 mph. The record highs to beat for the day? 88 at DCA, 83 at Dulles, and 82 at BWI."
- -- The Wizards beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 96-91.
- -- The Capitals beat the Colorado Avalanche 3-0
- -- A Richmond federal appeals court agreed to postpone oral arguments in a case over the Washington Redskins' trademark registration, further delaying a long-running case that pits the NFL team against the U.S. patent office and Native Americans groups find the team's name insulting. (lan Shapira)
- -- A high school senior was fatally stabbed on a D.C. Metrobus Tuesday evening, reportedly following a long-running dispute with another young woman over a cell phone. Police said the suspect has been taken into custody and charged. (Peter Hermann)
- -- Marriott International announced plans to relocate its headquarters to downtown Bethesda, deciding to remain in Montgomery County after getting commitment on a \$62 million publicly funded initiative. (Jonathan O'Connell)

VIDEOS OF THE DAY:

Tony Award-winning actress Laura Benanti returned to "The Late								
Show With Stephen Colbert" last night to reprise her spot-on								
parody of Melania Trump — this time with some uncomfortable Billy								
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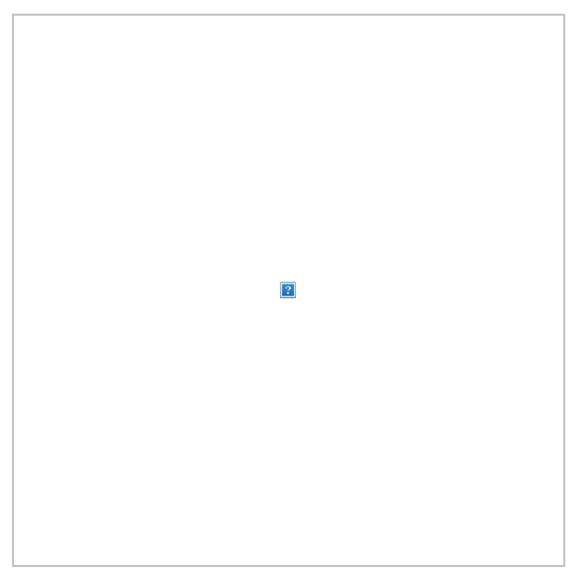


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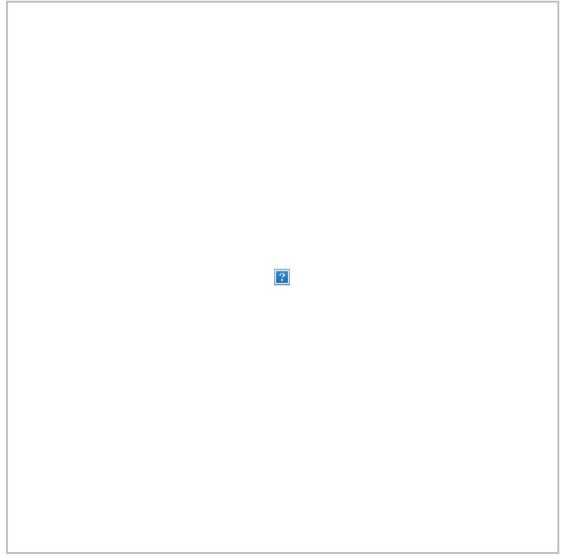
Celebrities arrive for Italian state dinner

"Dreamer" Juan Salazar, who came to the U.S. when he was seven, contemplates what's at stake in this election for him and his undocumented family members:



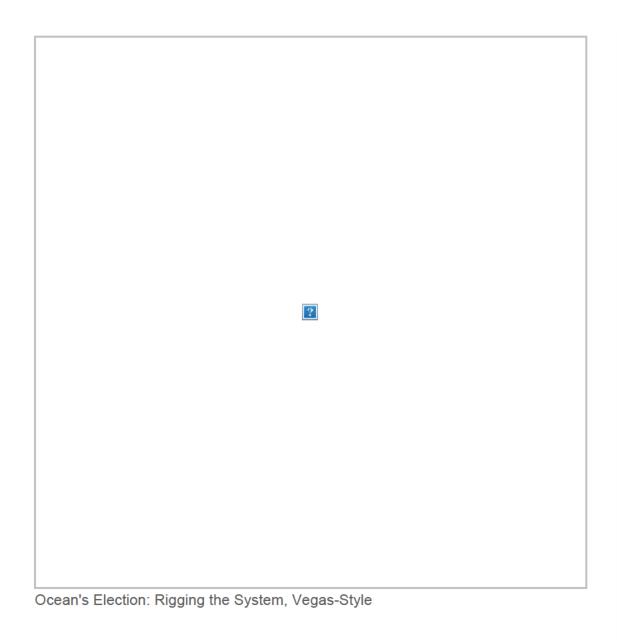
A family in fear: 'Us being separated...is just devastating'

Judy Shepard, whose son Matthew Shepard was murdered in Laramie, Wyoming, in 1998, because he was gay, cut a 1-minute spot for the Clinton Super PAC Priorities USA. "I know what can happen as the result of hate," she says to camera. "So when I see the hate that Donald Trump has brought to his campaign for president, it terrifies me. … Words have an influence, violence causes pain, hate can rip us apart. I know what can happen as the result of hate, and Donald Trump should never be our president."

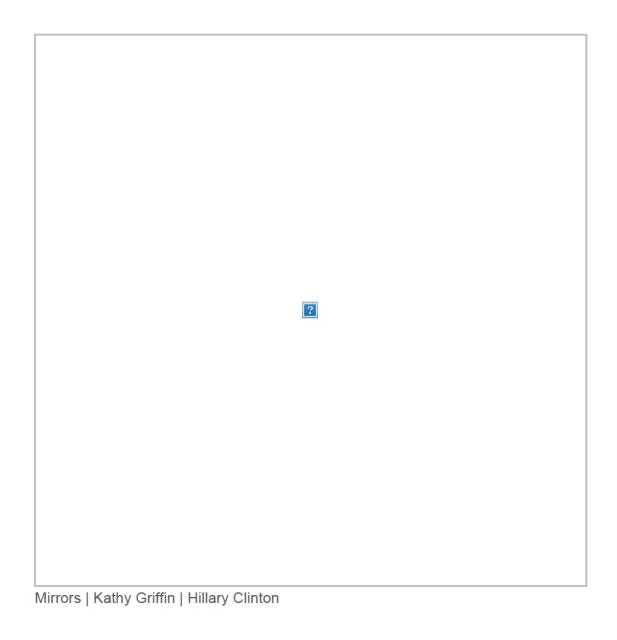


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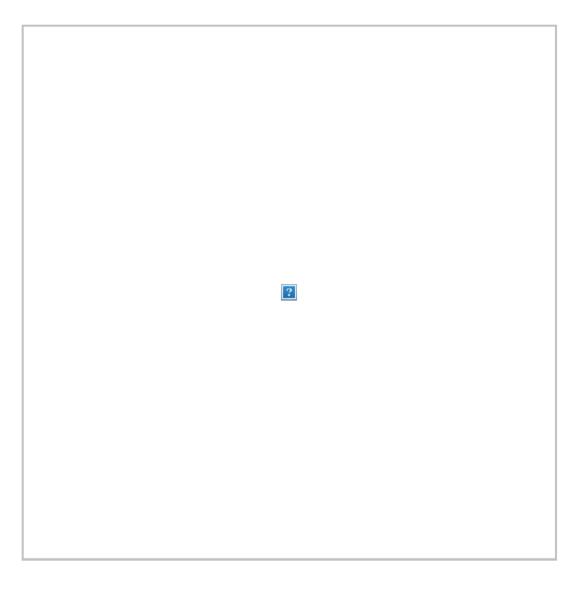
Bloomberg made an Ocean's Eleven-style explainer about whether the election is rigged:



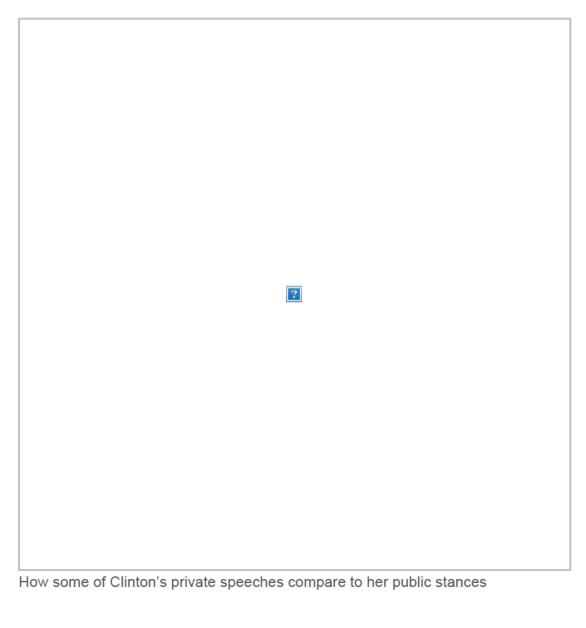
Kathy Griffin taped a video against Trump (warning: profanity):



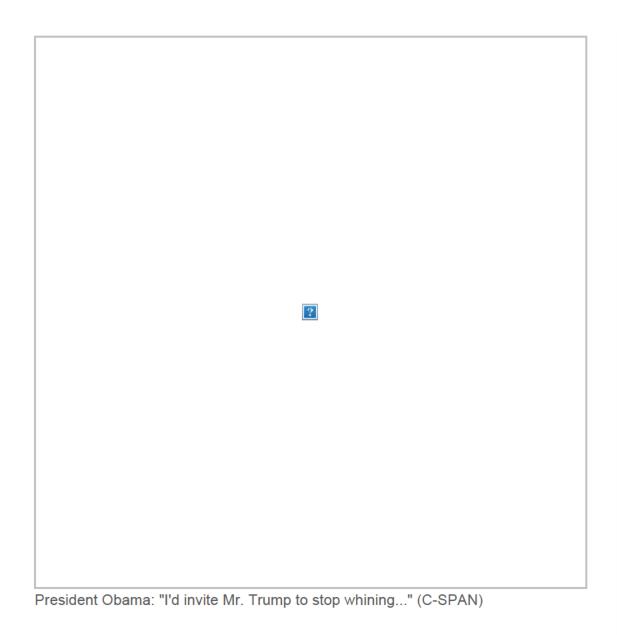
Viceland also used adult language in this Instagram video against Trump:



Compare some of what Clinton says in her stump speech to what she told Goldman Sachs bankers behind closed doors:



Watch Obama speak about Trump's "whining":



Finally, in this video, Canadians tell Americans why our country is already great:

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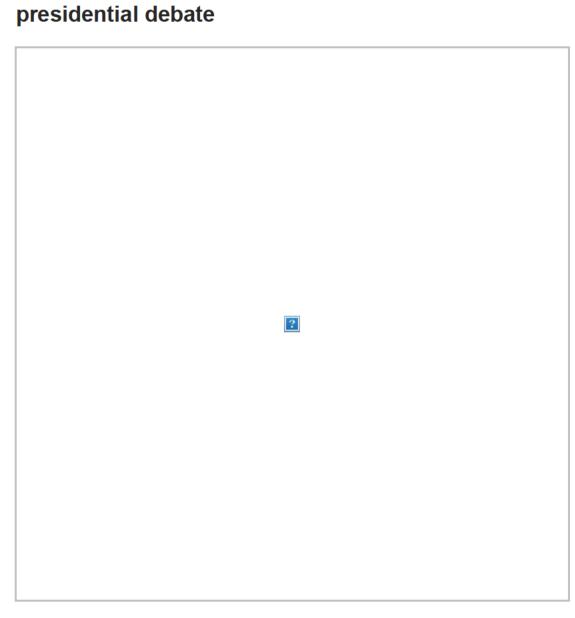
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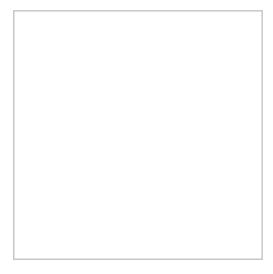
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The Supreme Court will be a focus of tonight's



Donald Trump's plane passes Hillary Clinton's plane at McCarran International Airport yesterday. The candidates have come to Las Vegas for their third and final debate. (Brendan Smialowski/AFP/Getty Images)



With Breanne Deppisch

THE BIG IDEA: The Supreme Court is one of six main topics that will be covered during tonight's final debate at the University of Nevada in Las Vegas. The late Antonin Scalia's seat continues to sit empty. An evenly-divided court has begun its new term under a cloud of uncertainty. Assuming Hillary Clinton wins, it remains unclear whether Republicans will try to confirm Merrick Garland during the lame-duck session to prevent her from putting up someone who is younger and more liberal next year.

The debate took on new significance this week when John

McCain boasted during a radio interview that Republicans would automatically oppose whomever Clinton nominates. "I promise you that we will be united against any Supreme Court nominee that Hillary Clinton, if she were president, would put up," the Arizona senator said. "I promise you!"

Attacked by his Democratic challenger, McCain's spokeswoman released a statement walking back his comment. The senator will "thoroughly examine the record of any Supreme Court nominee put

before the Senate," she said. McCain then <u>awkwardly avoided</u> a local TV reporter who tried to follow up.

Republicans, who have struggled to convince voters that they are capable of governing, talked a big game in years past about the need to be more than just "the party of no." That messaging is gone now. The prospect of four more years in the wilderness suggests that they will move back toward unapologetic obstruction.

Right now, however, they are in damage control mode. Judiciary Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley, who is up for reelection in lowa, promised yesterday to not automatically "stonewall" any Clinton pick. "If that new president happens to be Hillary, we can't just simply stonewall," Grassley said on a conference call with local press.

This is a very delicate balancing act. Vulnerable Republican incumbents are trying to convince people who are reluctantly voting for Clinton to support them by promising that they'll be a check and balance on the excesses of the Clinton presidency. One man's "check and balance," however, is another man's "obstruction." Regardless of how you play it, the bottom line is that Republicans are trying to save their majority by promising more gridlock.

If Republicans hold the Senate, Mitch McConnell will control the floor schedule and Grassley will continue to have the Judiciary gavel. So they technically could do exactly what they have for the past nine months with Garland.

Democrats are now favored to win the Senate majority. Even if they run the table, however, they'll only control around 53 seats.

That is nowhere near filibuster proof. The question then becomes: Which Republicans would cross over to vote for a President Clinton's SCOTUS picks? Could a Majority Leader Chuck Schumer cobble together 60 votes? Or does he invoke the nuclear option and change the rules to allow Supreme Court nominees to be confirmed by a simple majority? Going nuclear will probably be the easier course, both politically and procedurally, especially because the Republican blockade of Garland has cost GOP leaders much of their moral standing to oppose such a gambit.

Contrary to the will of the brilliant men who devised the Constitution, the Senate is increasingly becoming a majoritarian institution. Conservatives, who in principle should be alarmed by this trend, have shortsightedly accelerated it.

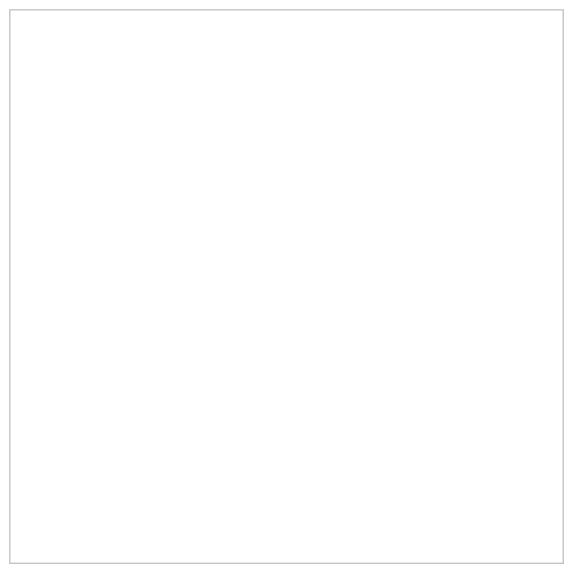


for the debate last night at UNLV. (David Goldman/AP)

-- There are two very important SCOTUS questions that the candidates have avoided giving direct answers to:

Will Clinton re-nominate Garland? Watch for her to once again dodge on this. She's called him "extremely well qualified," and she's relying heavily on Barack Obama to get her across the finish line in November. The president sees getting Garland through during the lame-duck as a top priority and a legacy achievement, but Clinton privately wants to pick someone who is younger and more liberal than the 63-year-old moderate.

Will Trump commit to nominating only people who are on his list of 21 potential picks? Aides have said the list is definitive, but the reality TV star has suggested during interviews that he might go another direction. And he has a very long history of not being true to his word. A few of the people Trump floated have chastised him. Utah Sen. Mike Lee, on the second installment of Trump's list, subsequently called on the GOP nominee to drop out. And, amusingly, federal appellate court Judge Diane Sykes (who was in the first batch of names released by Trump) ruled earlier this month against Mike Pence. She said the Indiana governor cannot interfere with the distribution of federal funds to resettle Syrian refugees in his state.



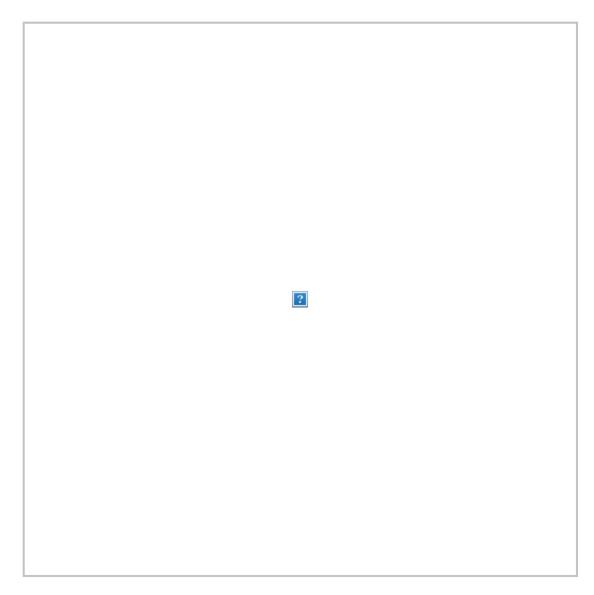
Trump speaks in Grand Junction, Colorado. (George Frey/Getty)

-- For many conservative intellectuals, stopping Clinton from appointing Scalia's replacement is no longer a good enough reason to support Trump. Among the Republican politicians who have capitulated, such as Ted Cruz, holding the Scalia seat is a favorite talking point to justify supporting someone who they privately see as dangerously authoritarian. But 29 top conservative legal scholars have signed onto a letter arguing that it is not enough. The "Originalists against Trump" do not believe Trump would protect the Constitution. And they do not trust him to actually pick from his list of

21. "More importantly, we do not trust him to respect constitutional limits in the rest of his conduct in office, of which judicial nominations are only one part," they write. The group understands that the alternative is Clinton. "Yet our country's commitment to its Constitution is not so fragile that it can be undone by a single administration or a single court," they conclude. (Read the full letter here.)

Our Robert Barnes notes that the signatories include a Northwestern law professor who was one of the founders of the Federalist Society, Steven G. Calabresi; Post columnist George F. Will; and a well-regarded conservative law professor at New York University and the University of Chicago, Richard Epstein. "The effort was organized by Duke University law professor Stephen E. Sachs and University of Chicago law professor William Baude, a pair of former clerks to Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr."

Something to ponder: Will Roberts vote for Trump? He obviously wants to regain his working majority, but he also hails from Indiana – just like Gonzalo Curiel, the federal judge whom Trump leveled repeated, racially-loaded attacks against. We'll never know...

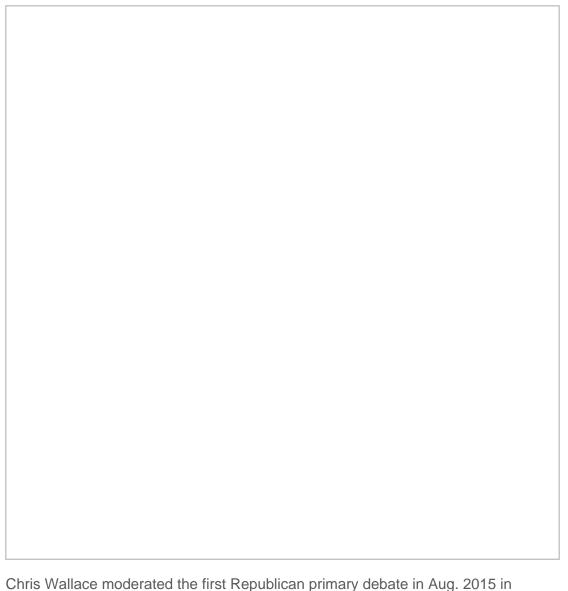


Bill greets Melania before the start of the last debate. (Paul J. Richards/AFP/Getty Images)

MORE ON WHAT TO EXPECT IN VEGAS TONIGHT:

- -- The <u>other five topics</u> that will get covered from 9 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Eastern are immigration, entitlements/debt, the economy, foreign policy and each candidate's "fitness" to serve as president.
- -- Trump's scorched-earth strategy continues. He is bringing as his guests Obama's estranged half-brother Malik and the mother

- of a Benghazi victim who has accused Clinton of "murdering" her son. It is unclear whether the campaign will reveal more surprise guests today. Clinton is bringing billionaires Mark Cuban and Meg Whitman in an effort to rattle Trump over his wealth. (Jose DelReal)
- -- Clinton spent much of this week off the trail preparing for their final showdown, a strategy which Trump mocked at a Colorado rally. He told supporters she was actually at home resting instead. "You know what the debate prep is? It's resting. It's lying down, going to sleep," he said. (Jenna Johnson)
- -- The Clinton campaign has requested that Bill and Melania do not shake hands before tonight's debate. Last time, Trump planned to parade three women who accused Clinton of sexual assault into the family seating area and force the former president to shake their hands as he crossed the room. (Jeremy Peters and Maggie Haberman, The New York Times)



Chris Wallace moderated the first Republican primary debate in Aug. 2015 in Cleveland. (Aaron Josefczyk/Reuters)

-- "Chris Wallace's Debate Role Is a Bright Spot in a Dark Year for Fox," by the New York Times's Michael Grynbaum: Chris is the first Fox journalist to take charge of a general election face-off. "It would be the most consequential night of Fox News's year — if the network had not just endured the most traumatic period in its two-decade history. [For] the team of Fox anchors and producers (in Vegas) this week, Mr. Wallace's star turn is a welcome source of pride. And, maybe, some relief. The selection of Mr. Wallace, a veteran broadcaster with a reputation for tough, mischief-making

questions, was particularly bolstering for Fox's news division, which has viewed itself as an unfairly maligned alternative to the network's stable of conservative commentators like Mr. Hannity and Bill O'Reilly."

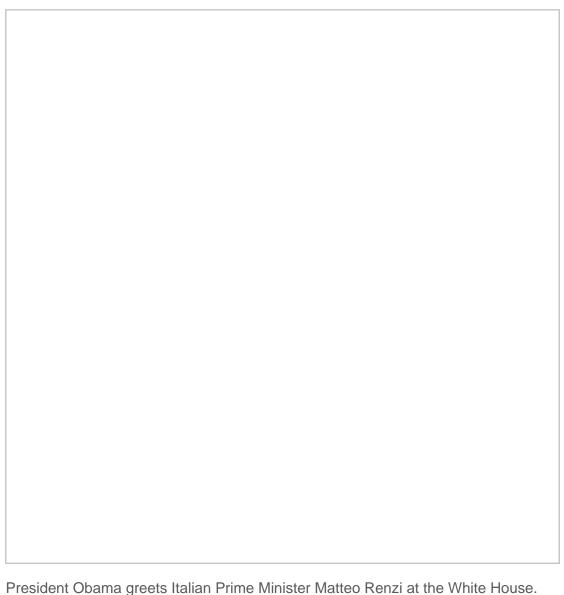
- -- Politico's Glenn Thrush preemptively declares that "Clinton will be on the defensive": "Trump's fitness to lead has, rightly, been the major focus of his conventionally lousy first debate and the national disgrace of his second one. But here's some good news for him! Trump has done such a masterful job of handing Clinton the election that the inevitable focus now is on her! America wants, demands, that final kick-the-tires test, as Barack Obama said of the process and significant questions remain about her honesty, integrity, judgment and trustworthiness. ... Beatings, like bossa novas, have a predictable rhythm. Trump's beating (however deserved or self-inflicted) has gone on for too long in terms of the cyclical attention span of modern media, and it's simply Hillary's turn."
- -- Trump's odds of turning around his campaign tonight are steep, the Boston Globe's Matt Viser posits: "Clinton arrives in Las Vegas for the final debate like a poker player holding a full house, confident and careful. Trump is furiously raising his bet, acting as if he's holding a hot hand, when polls say all he's got is a pair of jacks."
- -- Republicans are praying that Trump does not once again take
 Clinton's bait, per the Wall Street Journal's Michael Bender and
 Laura Meckler: "Democrats want Clinton to articulate a positive
 vision for the country, rising above the allegations of sexual
 misconduct and dishonesty that have permeated this election year. ...

Republicans say Trump needs to focus on his popular antiestablishment message and avoid placing any more attention on controversies over his treatment of women or rifts with fellow Republicans. 'For once he needs to make this a race that's not just about him,' said GOP consultant and former Romney adviser Kevin Madden. 'Clinton wants this race to be a referendum on Trump and his lack of temperament, and every time she lays the bait he never disappoints in taking it."

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WHILE YOU WERE SLEEPING:



President Obama greets Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi at the White House. (EPA/Michael Reynolds)

-- President Obama hosted his final state dinner, honoring Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi and his wife at a celebratory -- yet nostalgic -- reception. "If there was a collective emotion that defined the night it'd be a mix of joy and pain," Helena Andrews-Dyer and Emily Heil wrote. "Everyone involved in the Obamas' last black tie gala felt it. From guest chef Mario Batali, who said that knowing this dinner is the last adds its own brand of pride and pressure, to the president himself, who called the swanky swan song 'a bittersweet moment.' Held in a tent on the South Lawn dripping with chandeliers

and dotted with mirrored tables to conjure up the Italian 'fresco' technique, the evening featured a stroll through the first lady's kitchen garden ... a four-course meal prepared by Batali and a performance by Gwen Stefani ... But despite the night's obvious symbolism as a denouement the dinner's guests probably took the opening lines of the president's traditional toast to heart: 'In the immortal words of a great Italian American, Yogi Berra, 'It ain't over 'till it's over.'"

The Obamas rewarded many of their most loyal staffers with seats at the dinner. Among the 380 guests were the first lady's hair stylist, makeup artist, and personal trainer...

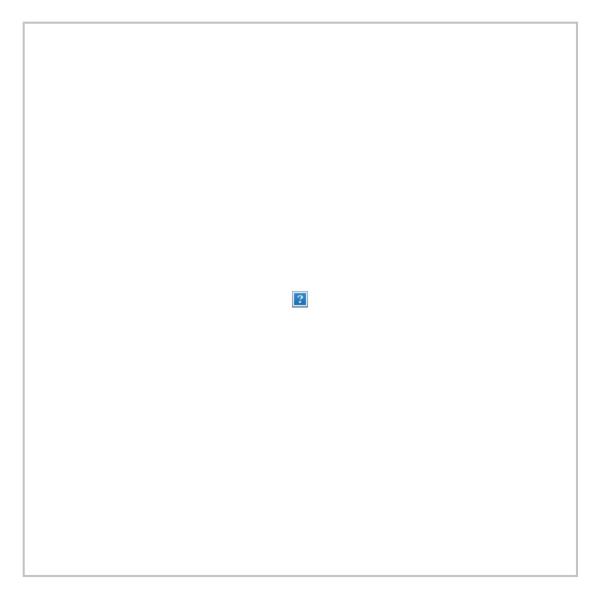
FLOTUS wore a custom rose-gold chain-mail gown from Atelier Versace. It was a slinky gown with an asymmetrical neckline that slithered like liquid metal down her torso and around her hips. "It was pure Hollywood glamour," writes Fashion Critic Robin Givhan.



-- Ecuador acknowledged that it "temporarily restricted" the Internet access of WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange at its United Kingdom embassy after WikiLeaks posted John Podesta's emails. A foreign ministry statement said that while it stands by its decision in 2012 to grant Assange asylum, it doesn't interfere in foreign elections. The ministry didn't specify the extent of the restrictions on Assange's cyber access, saying only that the limitations wouldn't affect WikiLeaks's ability to carry out its journalistic activities. Do not forget: Assange is hiding out in the

embassy to avoid facing trial for alleged sexual assault. (Nick Miroff)

- -- Marco Rubio urged Trump and the RNC to stop attacking Clinton over hacked emails published by Wikileaks: "As our intelligence agencies have said, these leaks are an effort by a foreign government to interfere with our electoral process and I will not indulge it," Rubio told ABC News's Jon Karl in an interview. "Further, I want to warn my fellow Republicans who may want to capitalize politically on these leaks: Today it is the Democrats. Tomorrow it could be us."
- -- Speaking of insecure email servers, Trump lives in a glass house. From Mother Jones' Joseph Cox: "A researcher has found that a number of email servers linked to [Trump's] hotel and others businesses are running horribly out of date software which receive no security patches, and are lacking other precautions for keeping hackers out." A number of mail servers for TrumpOrg.com, a domain registered to The Trump Organization, are using end-of-life software, including the operating system Windows Server 2003 and IIS 6.0. "Running outdated software and operating systems for your publicly facing email infrastructure is problematic, especially when you're a high profile organisation," said security architect Kevin Beaumont. "During an election where cybersecurity is such a big issue, I was a little amazed at what I saw."



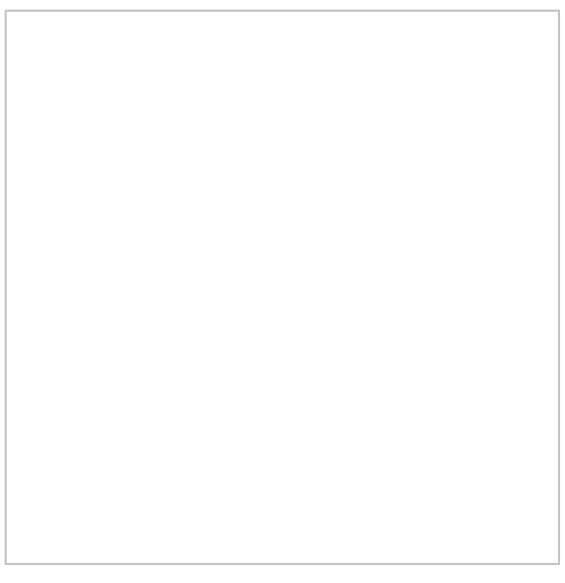
Filipino villagers gather as they prepare for a super typhoon that may hit their village. (EPA)

GET SMART FAST:

 A dangerous super typhoon is spinning like a table saw towards the Philippines, barreling down with Category-5 level winds of 160 mph. Local emergency managers are warning storm surge could exceed 15 feet when it makes landfall. The storm's arrival comes just days after another typhoon struck the country, killing at least two people. (Angela Fritz)

- A former Arkansas judge has been arrested and accused of giving lenient sentences to male defendants in exchange for sexual favors – soliciting at least nine men between the ages of 16 and 22 for what he referred to as "community service." (Kristine Guerra)
- 3. A magistrate judge delivered a victory to a transgender high school student in Illinois, allowing her to continue to use a bathroom and locker room corresponding with her gender identity. (Derek Hawkins)
- 4. More police officers have been killed in the line of duty so far this year than all of last year combined. But federal statistics also show that being a law enforcement officer has continually gotten safer over the last four decades. Since the 1970s, the death toll for cops decreased by more than half. (Mark Berman)
- Warring parties in Yemen agreed to a 72-hour ceasefire. The U.N. hopes the temporary truce will lead to a "permanent and lasting end" to the conflict. (AP)
- 6. A new lawsuit accuses public schools in Flint, Mich., of failing to meet obligations to screen children for lead exposure. The complaint alleges that the city's public school system has also failed to provide critical services and interventions to counter the effects of lead exposure. (Emma Brown)
- 7. The University of Maryland agreed to hire more staff to address sexual assault on campus, after reports that a faculty shortage was slowing down open investigations. Student government leaders proposed a student fee to help fund the office. (Susan Svrluga)

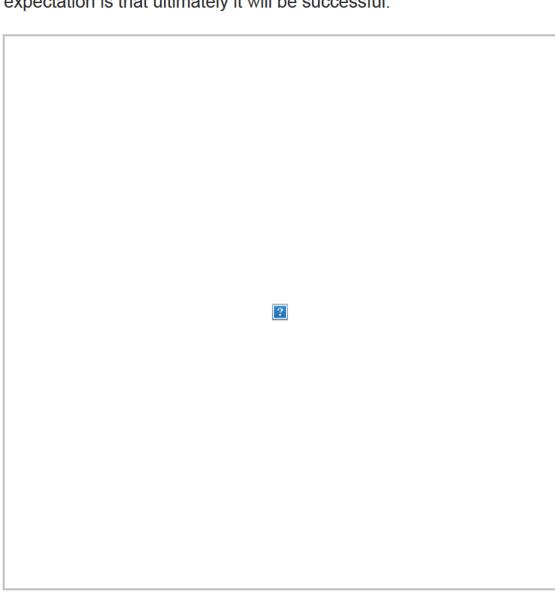
- 8. Samsung is setting up pop-up phone exchange booths at airports across the country, allowing busy travelers to trade in Galaxy 7 smartphones that were recently banned from all U.S. flights. But it's unclear what devices the kiosks will offer in replacement and, as Hayley Tsukayama notes, a crowded airport is probably not the ideal place to make such a major purchase.
- 9. The Transylvania castle that inspired the "Dracula" novels will be open to two brave souls on Halloween night, thanks to an Airbnb contest. Winners will spend the night in the 14th century digs, eating by candlelight and sleeping in velvet-lined coffins. (Cleve R. Wootson Jr.)



Members of the Iraqi Special Operations Forces outside Mosul today. (Azad Lashkari/Reuters)

-- A dispatch from the front lines --> "Evidence of a 'difficult fight' ahead as forces move toward ISIS-held Mosul," by Kareem Fahim and Loveday Morris: "To defend a few miles of unremarkable road in northern Iraq, flanked by farmland, the occasional factory and flyspeck hamlets and villages, the Islamic State militants seemed to spare no effort. They loaded a Volkswagen with explosives and secreted remote-detonated bombs ... They burned tires and dug large tunnels in houses ... The arsenal ultimately failed to protect the militants. But it seemed to slow down the action, tying up a large

contingent of Iraqi soldiers as they tried to clear the road and villages of booby traps, a few wearying feet at a time. There were still 12 grueling miles left to travel before reaching the city's outskirts. The struggle for Mosul ... is the largest and most complex so far in the battle against [ISIS] militants, who have been digging in for a fight. Residents who have recently fled the area ... say the Islamic State has been erecting concrete barricades and filling trenches with oil that can be set on fire to slow advancing forces. 'It's going to be a tough fight and a difficult fight,' Obama said on Tuesday. 'But my expectation is that ultimately it will be successful.'"



Makia Nunes, moments after she became a U.S. citizen yesterday, kisses a cardboard cutout of Hillary. She registered to vote immediately after her Naturalization Ceremony in Los Angeles. (Frederic J. Brown/AFP/Getty Images)

THE RACE CONTINUES TO MOVE AWAY FROM TRUMP:

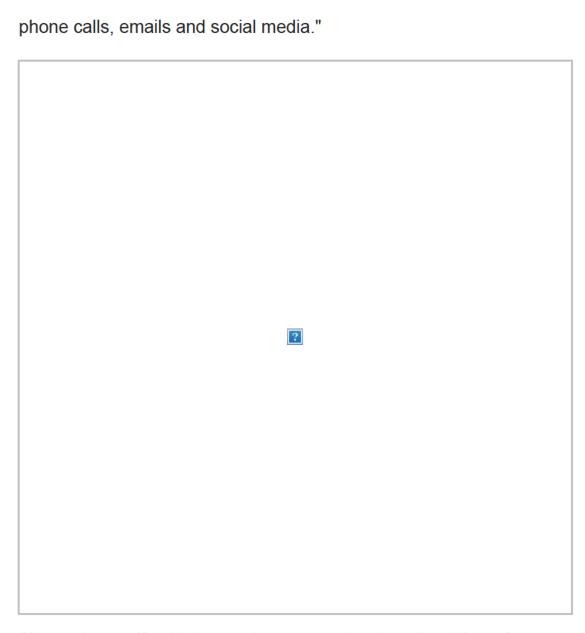
- -- The chairman of a pro-Trump super PAC, Ed Rollins, told Laura Ingraham that it "would take a miracle at this point" for Trump to win.
- -- Pre-spinning the loss, Trump campaign manager Kellyanne
 Conway says she cannot believe Clinton is not winning by a
 bigger margin given her numerous built-in advantages: "She has
 endless money. She's got a lot of the media. She has a very popular
 president and first lady campaigning for her," Conway told Anderson
 Cooper. "I will tell you, I am mystified as to why she can't get to those
 52, 53 percent numbers in some of these states given the
 disadvantages we're handed every day."
- -- Las Vegas bookies now have Clinton as a six-to-one favorite.
- -- A Washington Post/Survey Monkey poll of 15 battleground states gives Clinton a "decisive advantage" over Trump in the competition for Electoral College votes. From Dan Balz and Scott Clement: "Based on the results ... along with assumptions of the likely outcomes in other states that have consistently voted for one party or the other, [Clinton] holds leads of four percentage points or more among likely voters in states that add up to 304 electoral votes. Trump, [meanwhile], has the advantage in states with an estimated electoral vote total of 138. Arizona, Florida, Ohio and Texas, which account for 96 electoral votes, remain as toss-ups."

Down-ballot Republicans continue to outperform Trump in our survey: "Democrats need a net gain of five seats to take outright control -- four to exercise control if Clinton becomes president. The results showed Democrats with leads of four or more points in three states with GOP incumbents: New Hampshire, North Carolina and Wisconsin. Republican incumbents lead in Florida and Ohio, in the latter by a wide margin. Meanwhile, races in Nevada, for a seat currently held by Democrats, and Pennsylvania, for a seat now in Republican hands, continue to be close."

- -- A <u>Bloomberg Politics poll</u> shows Clinton with a 9 point national lead (50-41). The two tied last month. Trump is losing support among both men and those without college degrees. "This poll shows movement toward Clinton with all the right groups it takes to win," said pollster J. Ann Selzer. "Their alignment with Clinton is a formidable change in the algebra."
- -- An Arizona Republic/Arizona State University poll shows
 Clinton AHEAD in ARIZONA by 5 points. Waning support for the
 Republican nominee does not appear to have shifted down-ballot,
 however, with McCain leading by 11 points over Democratic
 challenger Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick. Support for the presidential
 candidates also appears to be somewhat baked into the cake,
 with two-thirds of voters saying they were not influenced by the
 previous two debates. Of respondents who indicated the debate
 was influential, 16 percent said they were more likely to back Clinton.
 9 percent said the same of Trump.
- -- The <u>University of Houston</u> finds Trump is only ahead by 3 points in Texas (41-38).

- -- St. Norbert College shows Clinton leading by 8 points in Wisconsin (47-39).
- -- Monmouth University puts Clinton up 7 points in Nevada (47-40). Her surge in the state is largely attributed to younger, non-white voters moving into her column over the past month.
- -- A Fox News national poll shows Clinton up 6 points (45-39).
- -- The Japanese newspaper Asahi Shimbun conducted a poll asking which candidate people thought would be more appropriate as the U.S. president. They found that only 3 percent of Japanese picked Trump, while 73 percent preferred Clinton.

 The rest had no opinion. The wording is non-traditional, but WaPo pollster Scott Clement checked out the paper's methodology and says it is legit. This will not surprise close poll watchers. Previous international surveys have found Trump to be exceptionally unpopular.
- -- Fear of an imminent terrorist attack is one of the top concerns of people across the globe, with most expecting extremist groups will acquire weapons of mass destruction, according to a new poll conducted in eight countries. From Carol Morello: "The survey, commissioned by the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), showed that many people think their governments are not doing enough to combat violent extremism. And a majority in every country polled, including the United States, overwhelmingly approved all 21 options presented to them among them, requiring identification cards for citizens and visitors; rigorous screening of immigrants; bans on incendiary religious speech; and monitoring of



Clinton takes a selfie with the crowd at a voter registration rally at Wayne State University in Detroit. (Reuters/Lucy Nicholson)

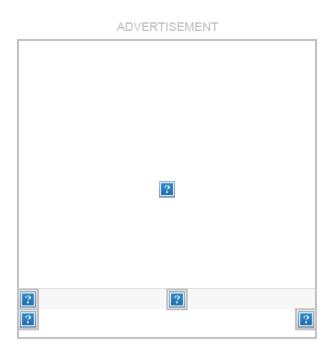
THE DAILY HILLARY:

-- Former FBI agent Brian McCauley pushed back on allegations of a "quid pro quo." He confirmed that he spoke to a top State Department official about changing the classified status of one of Clinton's emails, as well as a long-standing FBI request for additional staffing in U.S. embassies, but he denied that any

Zapotosky, McCauley acknowledged that he offered to do a favor in exchange for another favor, but before he had any inkling of what Kennedy wanted. "I said, 'Absolutely not, I can't help you,' and he took that, and it was fine," said McCauley, who was the FBI's deputy assistant director for international operations from 2012 to 2015. McCauley said that when he learned the missive concerned the attack on the U.S. diplomatic facility in Benghazi, Libya, he told Kennedy he could not help him. "I said, 'Absolutely not, I can't help you,' and he took that, and it was fine," said McCauley, who was the FBI's deputy assistant director for international operations from 2012 to 2015.

- -- "Black activists and organizers, frustrated with the Clinton campaign's inability to engage young voters, have taken it upon themselves to challenge their peers to consider the consequences if Republicans take the White House," Vanessa Williams reports. "They also have encouraged young voters to focus on state and local elections, because those officials make decisions about how police departments and schools are run, issues that more directly affect their lives. Younger African Americans, like many millennials, are not excited about this year's presidential election ... [but] because Trump's campaign has laid bare racist attitudes, the seeming indifference of black millennials to the election has sparked broad discussion within the African American community."
- -- Seventy Nobel Laureates endorsed Clinton, arguing that her election is "crucial for safeguarding freedom and preserving a constitutional government." Signatories include world-renowned

experts in science, medicine and economics, such as chemist Peter Agre, economist Robert Shiller, and physicist Robert Woodrow Wilson. Separately, a group of 140 conservative writers urged voters to reject Trump, calling him "most dangerous to our nation's founding ideals" in an open letter. Several former Republican White House staffers are on the list. (New York Times)





-- An early draft of Clinton's V.P. list: John Podesta in mid-March emailed Clinton a preliminary list of names to consider for her running mate, organized into what he termed "rough food groups." WikiLeaks posted it yesterday, and the Journal wrote it up:

The first group included her **Latino options**, including Secretary of Labor Tom Perez and Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Julián Castro.

The second consisted of **black candidates**, including Cory Booker and Eric Holder.

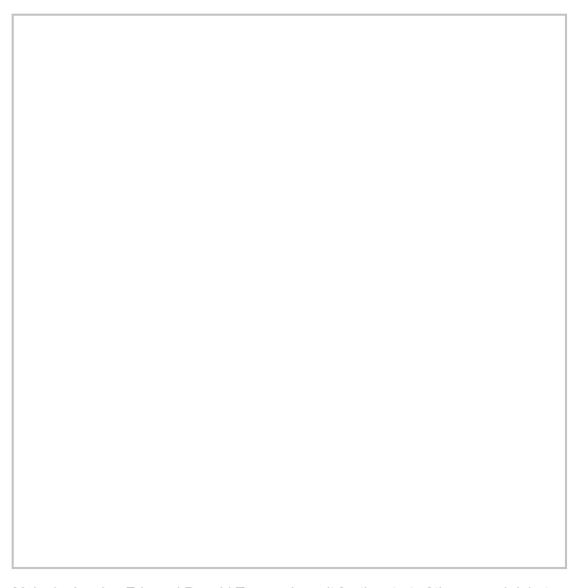
The third was **white men who could help in a swing state**, including Tim Kaine, Terry McAuliffe and Sherrod Brown.

Another section included **seven women**, including Elizabeth Warren and Jeanne Shaheen.

He also suggested **three military names**, including retired Marine Corps Gen. John Allen.

Podesta also floated **corporate options**, including Bill Gates,
Starbucks CEO Howard Schultz, Michael Bloomberg; Apple CEO Tim
Cook and Coca-Cola Co. CEO Muhtar Kent.

The final category had just one name: **Bernie Sanders**.



Melania, Ivanka, Eric and Donald Trump, Jr. wait for the start of the second debate St. Louis. (John Locher/AP)

THE DAILY DONALD:

-- People Magazine published six stories from friends and colleagues of Trump accuser Natasha Stoynoff, corroborating her accusation that the Republican nominee forced himself on her in 2005. Two people who went on the record are now People editors - deputy East Coast editor Mary Green and East Coast editor Liz McNeil. Another is Stoynoff's former journalism professor, who says she called him looking for advice immediately afterwards. And

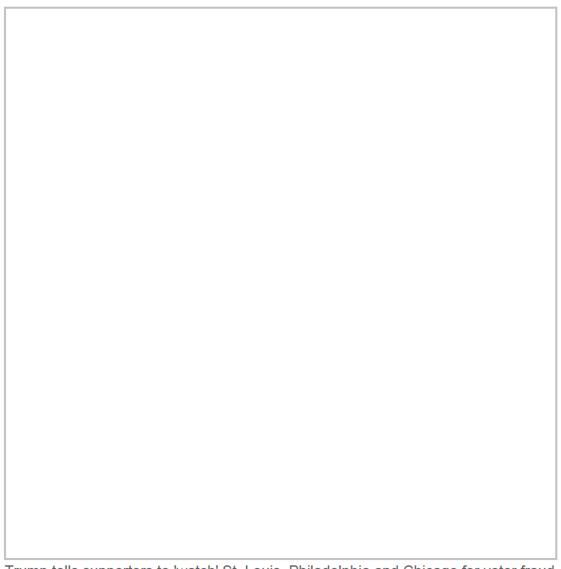
yet another friend went on the record to back her claims that she ran into Melania Trump on Fifth Avenue after the assault. The report comes as both Donald and Melania have denied the story and threatened legal action.

- -- Video surfaced yesterday of Trump attacking Condi Rice in 2006: "I wish she was a b**ch," he said. "I don't care if she's a lovely woman. I want somebody that can go and make deals. She goes to countries, nothing ever happens. Except sound bytes." When asked if she had any response to the New York Daily News report on Trump's remarks, the former secretary of state emailed CNN: "Can't wait until November 9!"
- -- Trump's alleged misconduct has started a national conversation about sexual assault. From Katie Zezima: "The debate has been particularly painful for many victims of sexual assault, who now must endure nonstop coverage of allegations of groping and kissing without consent — along with backlash against the women who made the claims about Trump. But in the 2016 presidential election, the issue has become sharply divided along partisan lines, including claims by some Trump allies that the behavior described by Trump's accusers ... might not be considered assault. The resistance against the accusers is particularly awkward for the Trump campaign, which simultaneously argues that women who accused Bill Clinton of wrongdoing years ago should be believed." GOP strategist Ashley O'Connor said that Trump is essentially saying, "You need to believe the people who have come forward and accused [Bill]. You need to believe that [Hillary] was attacking these women. But don't believe the women who have come

forward against me."

- -- Melania is taking a page from the old Hillary playbook: "Until now, Melania Trump has declined to fulfill the mundane tasks of political wives, saying her duties to her young son are more important than the demand that a spouse go along for the ride to 'humanize' a candidate," Karen Tumulty writes. "Now, however, she has found herself in a time-honored duty for a political wife when a sex scandal hits cleanup. [But] even as she defends her husband, [Melania] is willing to go only so far: In a moment where the script would appear to call for her to share a little more about 'the man I know,' she offered no personal glimpses of their lives. There was nothing more revealing than what one might hear in a campaign ad outside, perhaps, her observation that she feels like she is living with two boys, not one."
- -- Ivanka addressed her father's lewd 2005 remarks for the first time, telling Fast Company that his conversation with Billy Bush was "clearly inappropriate and offensive." "I'm glad that he acknowledged this fact with an immediate apology to my family and the American people," she added in a statement.
- -- Donald Jr. has made a series of offensive statements during interviews with shock-jock radio hosts. CNN's Andrew Kaczynski unearthed a trove of controversial remarks from the candidate's son:
 - He joked about the Aurora movie theater shooting on the same day 12 people were killed: After footage was played from a witness recounting the tragedy, Trump Jr. quipped that the survivor will still give the film "two thumbs up."

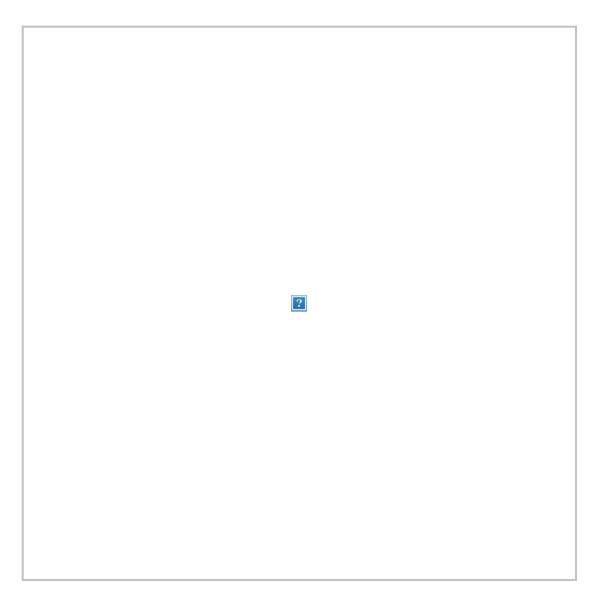
- He joked about child abuse at beauty pageants: "They yell at the kids like, yeah 'You didn't do good, you forgot to turn! You forgot your turn!" a host said, depicting the role of a stage parent. "The kids, they're crying," Trump Jr. said. "I just wanna play with Barbie." "She beats me when you're not here," said the host. "She's like limping," added Trump Jr., mocking a child's voice. "'Help me, help me." Trump Jr. added of the moms at beauty pageants, "They're all fat. Ugly."
- On not being able to mock overweight people: "By the way
 you can't ... even make fat jokes now ... that's almost the worst
 one," he said. "It's easier to, like, do a racial thing, than it is a fat
 one because everyone knows they're fat and they get really
 offended."



Trump tells supporters to 'watch' St. Louis, Philadelphia and Chicago for voter fraud

-- Doubling down on his rigged election rhetoric, Trump yesterday provided his supporters with a list of three cities where they should watch for corruption on Election Day. "Take a look at St. Louis. Take a look at Philadelphia. Take a look at Chicago," Trump said in Colorado. "Look, look, if nothing else, people are going to be watching on November 8. Watch Philadelphia. Watch St. Louis. Watch Chicago, watch Chicago. Watch so many other places." (Two of those cities are in states that are not considered competitive, Jenna Johnson notes.)

- -- Local election officials are panicking that Trump's reckless rhetoric will lead his supporters to bring guns to polling places, but they're mostly powerless to do anything about it: "The Prince William County (Virginia) electoral board ... considered seeking a one-day ban on weapons at polling places located on private property but was rebuked by a gun-friendly state legislator." Patricia Sullivan reports. "Del. Robert G. Marshall (R-Prince William) sent a letter to the board pointing out that it has no power to ban guns from polling places except for schools and courthouses, where weapons are prohibited by state law. ... Virginia's election officials have been discussing on their private email list the possibility of intimidation or violence Nov. 8 and talking about what to do about unruly observers. ... Seventy of Prince William's 91 polling places are in schools, with the remaining 21 in churches, fire halls and community centers. Firearms are allowed in county government buildings, such as fire stations, libraries and community centers."
- -- Trump called for a Constitutional amendment to put in place congressional term limits, but he provided no details about the details. (Jenna Johnson)



Supporters of Nicolas Maduro display a giant inflatable dummy depicting late President Hugo Chavez in Caracas. (Juan Barreto/Getty)

-- Venezuelan journalist and political scientist Francisco Toro argues that Trump really is much more like Nicolás Maduro than Hugo Chavez: "Again and again, since taking over in 2013, Maduro has run roughshod over the constitution in ways Chávez never dared to ... [and] for Venezuelans, the past year has been an object lesson in how dangerous this approach can be. Last week, we followed this crazy dynamic off the deep end, when the court overturned 800 years of constitutional practice, dating back to the original Magna Carta, ruling that when the constitution says the legislative branch has to

vote on the national budget, it means the president can just approve budgets on his own. ... Having your democracy commit suicide under the lure of a charismatic demagogue is not the kind of experience you can fully make sense of unless you've lived it in your own skin. Before 2016, no explanation I could give my American friends was enough. Now, my American friends can just turn on CNN and watch it happening live."

THE BATTLEGROUNDS:

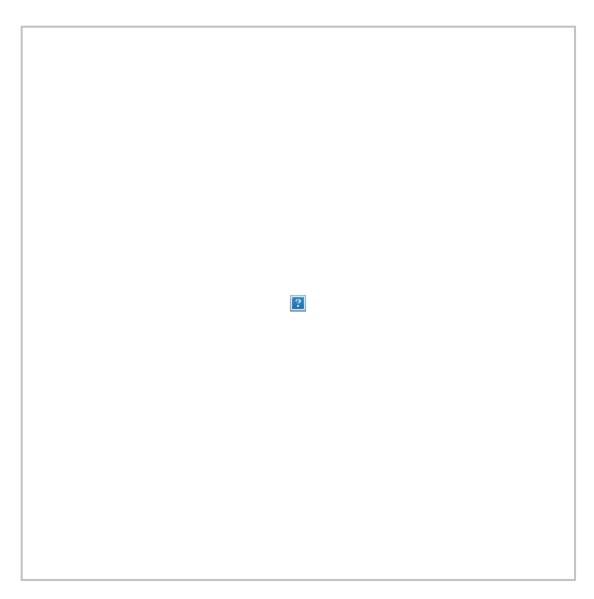
- -- A civil rights group filed a federal lawsuit to force Virginia to extend its voter registration period, after the state's online system crashed on Monday. The technological glitch prohibited registration from an unknown number of participants. Some have estimated the number to be in the "tens of thousands." (Laura Vozzella)
- -- Pro-Clinton super PAC Priorities USA announced it will begin airing ads in two Senate races and will start airing television and radio ads in Georgia to boost Clinton. "New ads will support Gov. Maggie Hassan in the New Hampshire Senate race against Republican Sen. Kelly Ayotte and Katie McGinty in the Pennsylvania Senate race against Sen. Patrick J. Toomey," Abby Phillip writes. "The super PAC also plans a new seven-figure television ad buy in Georgia in addition to new radio ads targeted at African American voters. The state has not been won by the Democratic presidential nominee since 1992."
- -- DNC officials issued an apology after one of its campaign buses was recorded illegally dumping sewage into a Georgia

storm drain, calling the leak an "honest" but "unacceptable" mistake. The driver of the bus – adorned with larger-than-life faces of Clinton and Kaine – said the vehicle's sewage tank was full and leaking out. A guy in an auto parts repair store spotted him and record it. (Katie Mettler)

- -- The race for Rep. Barbara Comstock's House seat in Northern Virginia has tightened. From Jenna Portnoy: The Cook Political Report is moving the race up to toss-up, while the Rothenberg & Gonzales Political Report already considers it a toss-up district, tilting to the Republican. "Experts consider the district among the most competitive in the nation despite lackluster fundraising numbers from Democratic challenger LuAnn Bennett and evidence [Trump] might not be the anchor on down-ballot candidates some had expected," Portnoy writes. The two will face off this morning for the final debate of the campaign.
- Bloc: White Catholics," by the New York Times's Jason Horowitz in Philly: "Since the election of Ronald Reagan, white Roman Catholics have flocked to Republican nominees for a raft of reasons, including their stances on social issues like abortion and same-sex marriage. But this year, something seems different. 'Trump is the exception to the rule,' said 67-year-old Carol Robinson, leaving an afternoon prayer meeting in Philadelphia. 'He's a loose cannon.' Roman Catholics are the country's second-largest religious group after evangelical Protestants, and they are as diverse as the country itself, with young liberals, cultural conservatives and, increasingly, Democratic-leaning Hispanics."

One quiet influencer could be Pope Francis, wh emphasizes inclusion and the welfare of the poor over divisive issues like abortion and homosexuality. In February, he suggested Trump "is not a Christian."

-- Harry Reid reflects on when Trump used to be one of his donors in an interview with Paul Kane: "Reid found a priceless piece of memorabilia recently while sorting through 34 years of congressional papers. It's a picture of Reid with [Trump], inside the real-estate developer's Manhattan home, both men smiling. He's pretty sure it's from 1992, when [he] was running his first Senate reelection bid and when [Trump] was happy to help Democrats. Reid appreciated Trump's generosity. 'He wasn't much of a big shot then, neither was I,' Reid recalled ... Over the years when Trump was a reliable donor to Senate Democrats, Reid saw no signs of a future Republican presidential candidate who he would later eviscerate as a 'racist' and a 'human leech.' Now, heading into political twilight, the former boxer is clearly relishing what is essentially his last campaign through attacks on Trump ... 'I'm kind of an unusual politician,' he said."



Libertarian Lucy Brenton, Democrat Evan Bayh and Republican Todd Young debate in Indianapolis last night. (AP Photo/Michael Conroy, Pool)

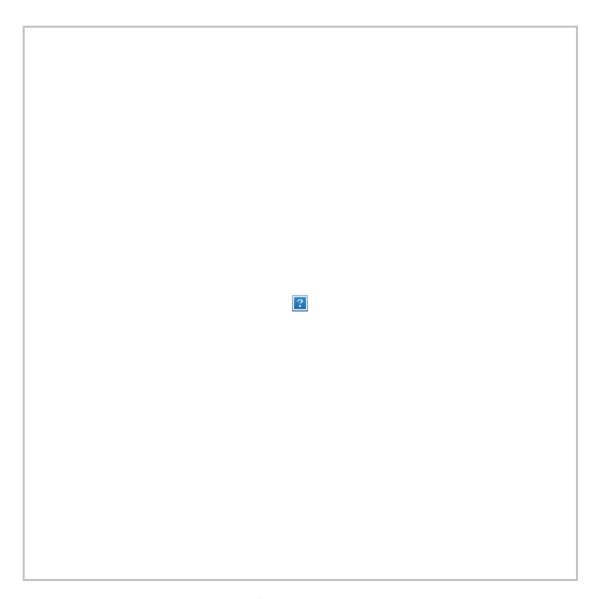
SENATE DEBATES:

-- "Indiana's Senate race got personal Tuesday," the Indianapolis Star's Maureen Groppe and James Briggs write.

"After weeks of attacking each other in campaign commercials, former Sen. Evan Bayh and GOP Rep. Todd Young directly accused each other of not representing Hoosiers' interests in their [sole debate] ... Young repeatedly charged Bayh, a Democrat, with following the orders of Washington insiders and looking out for

himself. 'Evan Bayh took the money and ran,' Young said after criticizing Bayh's vote for the Affordable Care Act. 'He joined a major lobbying firm in Washington, D.C., and he represented clients that needed relief from the very problem he created from Obamacare.' Bayh said Young has voted against the needs of veterans, seniors and workers who are losing their jobs to overseas competition. And he accused Young of lying about his record. 'Congressman Young has told so many whoppers here tonight, it's hard to keep track," Bayh said.

-- The final debate between Sen. Ron Johnson and Democrat Russ Feingold also turned personal, the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel's Bill Glauber reports: "Skirmishing over campaign finance, national security, the economy and the presidential candidates, the men engaged in a feisty 90-minute clash ... With polls showing a tight race, there was little room for error as the candidates sought to shore up their base support while reaching out to the small number of undecided voters. In a sense, the debate was six years in the making as the two men entered the closing stretch of their rematch race. Throughout the debate, Feingold claimed that Johnson 'didn't have a plan' on issues. Johnson fired back, 'Senator Feingold' is always going to have a plan to grow government." "I will stand with the people of this state," Feingold said. "Senator Johnson stands with the corporations, the billionaires and the multi-millionaires." In rebuttal, Johnson said he "understands what it's like to work": "I'm the working man," he said. "I've worked hard all my life."



A pan handler sits with a "Give me \$1 or I'm voting for Trump" sign in Manhattan. (Carlo Allegri)

IT'S SILLY SEASON:

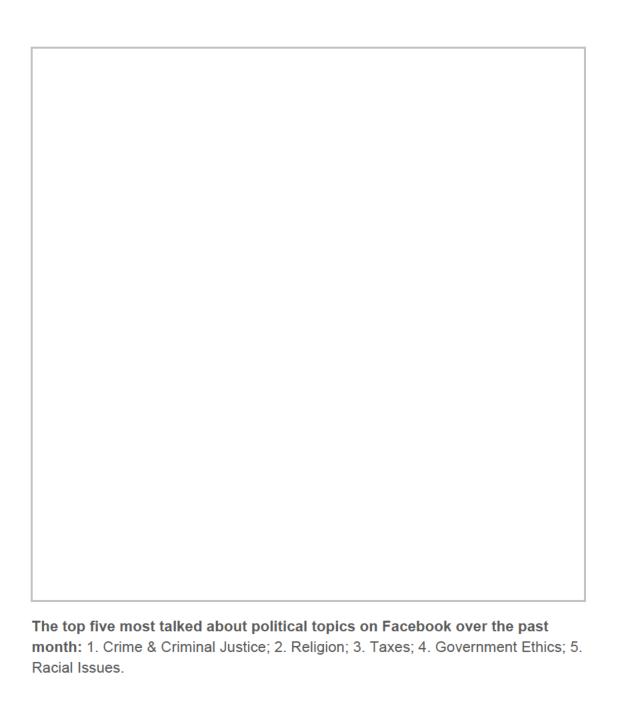
-- A Wisconsin woman was arrested after she spread peanut butter on 30 cars that she believed belonged to Trump supporters. But it turns out the cars actually belonged to members of a local conservation club! "Witnesses said 32-year-old Christina Ferguson stormed into the club meeting on Monday night, holding what a Portage County deputy's report described as a 'family-size jar of low-sodium, creamy natural Jif," HuffPost reports. "Officers

said Ferguson grew emotional as she explained how much she loved Clinton and hated Trump. She then explained why she'd misused peanut butter. 'Peanut butter is better than fire-bombing,' the officer quoted her as saying. She added that Trump wants to fire-bomb everybody in other countries."

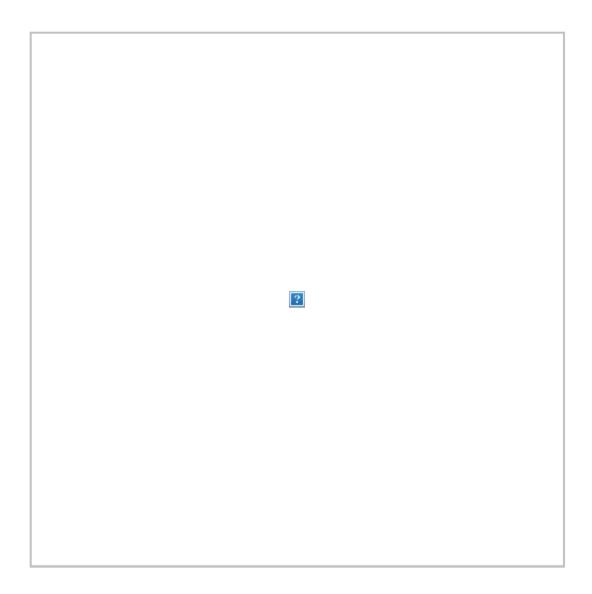
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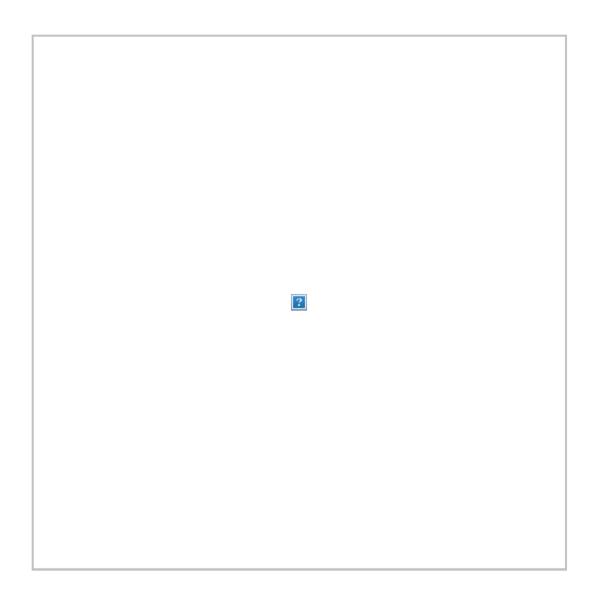
Over 62 million people on Facebook in the U.S. posted about, shared, liked or commented on content related to Trump over 931 million times in the last month. The chart below shows the unique number of people on Facebook engaging in the conversation about each candidate – as well as the number of interactions those people generated. Interactions represents the total aggregate number of likes, posts, comments and shares made about a particular candidate within the timeframe. The interactions figure includes not only the activity on the candidate's page, but all of the likes, posts, comments and shares about that candidate from throughout Facebook:



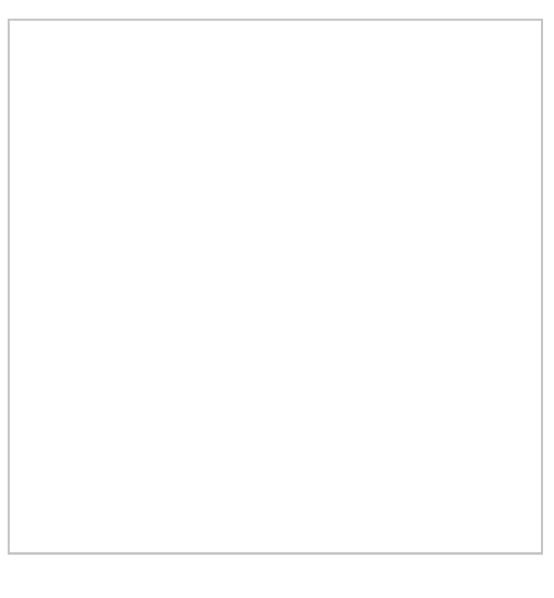
The Onion is on the lookout for late-breaking Trump news:



Coming soon to a Las Vegas billboard:

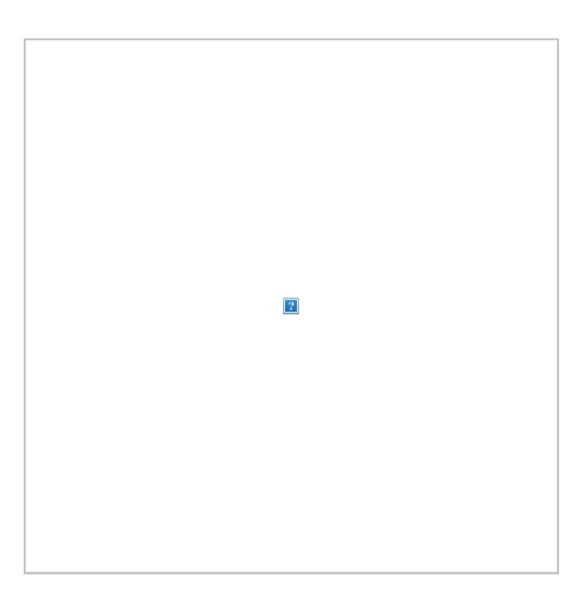


Fox's Sean Hannity and CNN's Brian Stelter went back-and-forth on the issue of voter fraud:

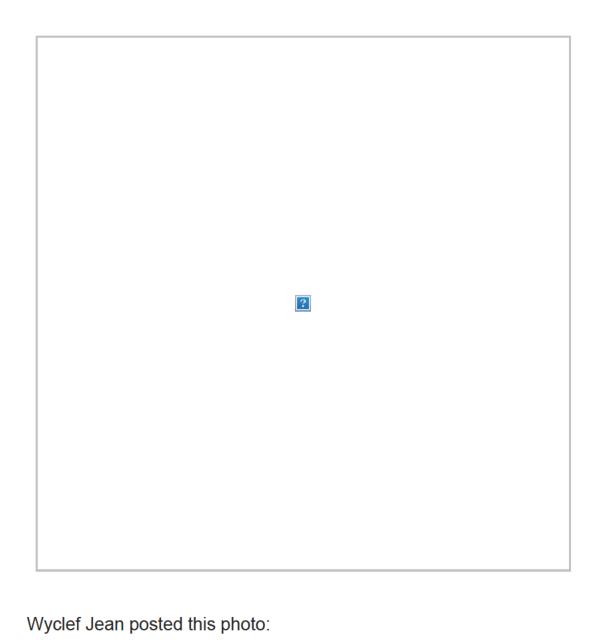


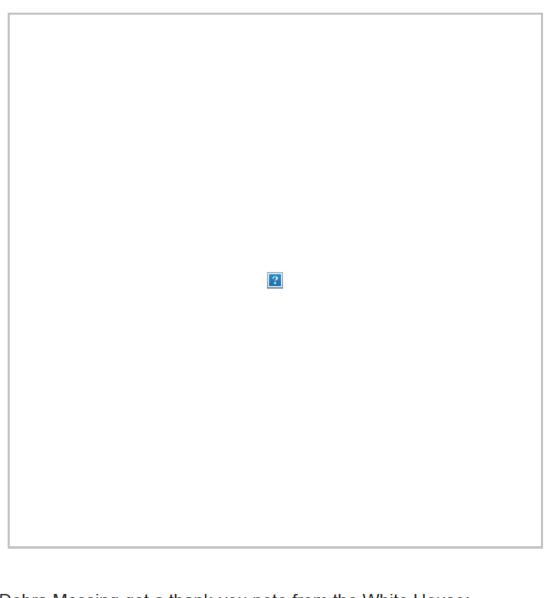
Mike Pence observed some of the damage from the firebombing in North Carolina and called it "an act of political terrorism":

Vogue endorsed Clinton, making the first ever political endorsement in the magazine's history. "We understand that Clinton has not always been a perfect candidate, yet her fierce intelligence and considerable experience are reflected in policies and positions that are clear, sound and hopeful," the magazine's editors write.

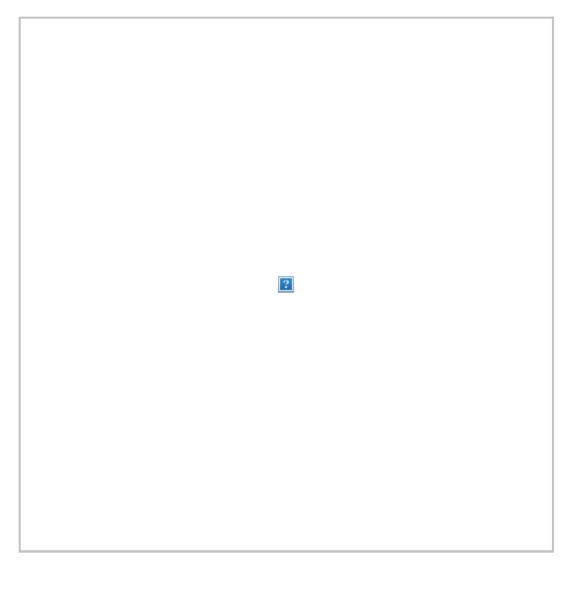


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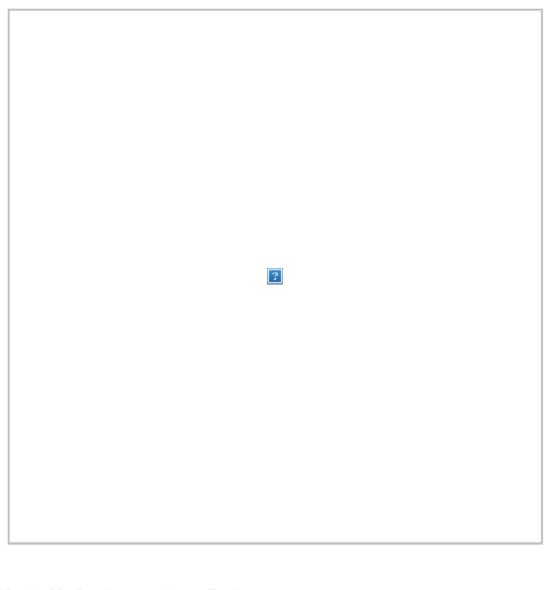




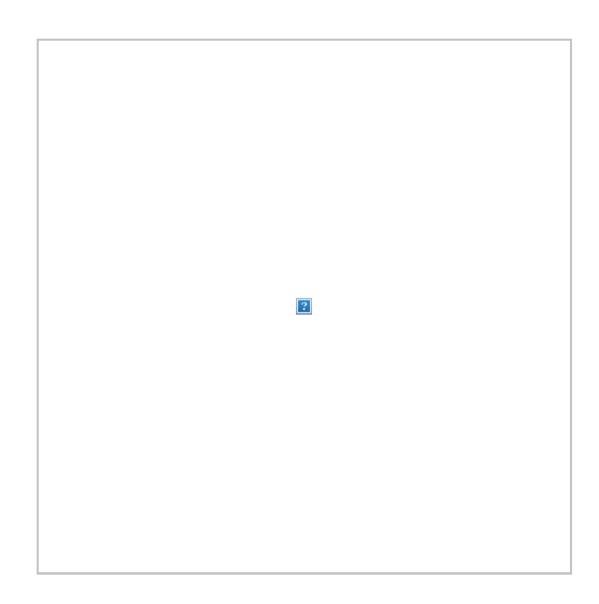
Debra Messing got a thank-you note from the White House:



Jason Chaffetz took this selfie while camping:



Kevin McCarthy went to a Dodgers game:



GOOD READS FROM ELSEWHERE:

Target These Days," by Dave Itzkoff: "Why does David Letterman have a beard? To put it more precisely: Why did Mr. Letterman, after stepping down from CBS's 'Late Show' and a 33-year career ... spend the past year and a half cultivating a fleecy and prodigious mound of facial hair ...? Did he grow these imposing bristles to keep the world at bay while he withdrew into retirement?" Was it his way of saying he was no longer the man who had spent 6,000 evenings reading Top 10 lists and interviewing 20,000 guests? Actually, he

explained, 'I just got tired of shaving every day, but then it became something else, and I'm not quite sure what it became.' In his dry Midwestern delivery, tinged with a new and unaccustomed element of wistfulness, he said: 'The beard is a good reminder to me that that was a different life. I'm hopeful that I will either find something else, or something else will be presented to me.' ... With years of vitality left, he has been trying, since his 'Late Show' farewell in May 2015, to figure out what his next step should be."

- -- National security reporter Walter Pincus prepared a list of pressing foreign policy questions that Trump and Clinton should answer in tonight's debate. Some highlights from his column for the Cipher Brief:
 - For Trump, on Russia: "At the last debate, despite your being briefed by intelligence analysts and after Director of National Intelligence James Clapper publicly identified Russia as doing the hacking, you said [Clinton] 'doesn't know if it's the Russians doing the hacking,' and then added, 'Maybe there is no hacking.' Do you not trust the U.S. intelligence community determination ... that the Russians are behind the hacking of the [DNC] emails?"
 - For Clinton, on Syria: "You are advocating a no-fly zone and safe zones. Define just what would be involved on the part of the U.S. and its allies – including forces in the air and on the ground [for protection] ... Would you seek congressional authorization to use American armed forces which will have to strike at Syrian government targets, something normally considered an act of war?"

For Trump, on Syria: On Oct. 9, you said "Syria is no longer Syria. Syria is Russia and it's Iran.' You also said Assad forces and the Russians in Syria were fighting ISIS, and implied if you were president you would no longer support any anti-Assad forces. Instead you would join with the Russians, Iranians and Assad regime in fighting ISIS. Would that be your policy for Syria? And if the Assad regime, supported by Russian and Iranian military forces, attempted to regain control over all of Syria, would you stand aside and let that happen?"

HOT ON THE LEFT

HOT ON THE RIGHT

Two little known but influential Democratic operatives lost their jobs after edited footage from a video sting by conservative activist James O'Keefe found them entertaining "dark notions" about how to win elections. From Dave Weigel: "Footage from the video shows [Scott] Foval, a Wisconsin-based politico with a long resume, bragging about a litary of political dirty tricks. In the first video, he boasts of 'conflict engagement in the lines of Trump rallies,' takes credit for the violence that canceled a Trump rally at the University of Illinois in Chicago (and) admits

he's paid 'mentally ill'
people to start trouble."
Robert Creamer also
announced he is stepping
down from the work he was
doing for a progressive
consulting group following
release of the tape. On
Tuesday night's episode of
"Hannity," two campaign
representatives said that
the tapes "validated
everything" Trump had said
about the possible threat of
the election being stolen.

DAYBOOK:

On the campaign trail: Trump and Clinton debate in Las Vegas. Tim Kaine speaks in Upper Arlington and Springfield, Ohio and Asheville, N.C.; Bernie Sanders rallies Clinton supporters in Reno, Nev. Pence speaks in Durango, Colo.

At the White House: Obama has no public events scheduled. Biden speaks about the Cancer Moonshot at the SAP Global CEO Summit in New York. Later, he travels to Boston to speak again about the project at the Edward M. Kennedy Institute.

On Capitol Hill: The Senate and House are out.

QUOTE OF THE DAY:

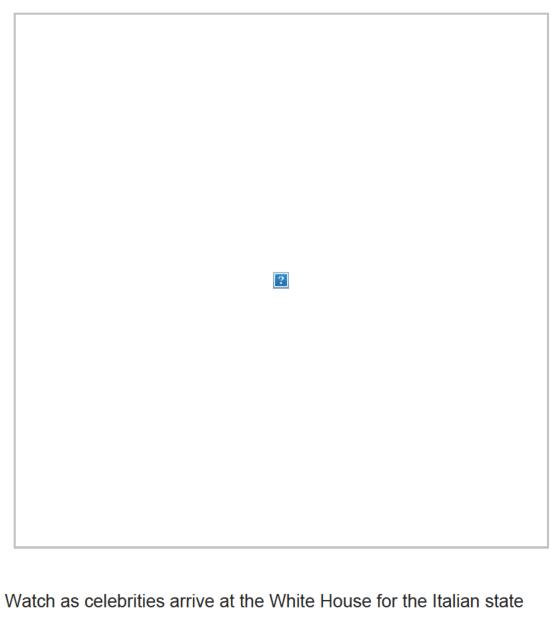
Obama mocked Trump for griping about a rigged election: "You start whining before the game's even over?"

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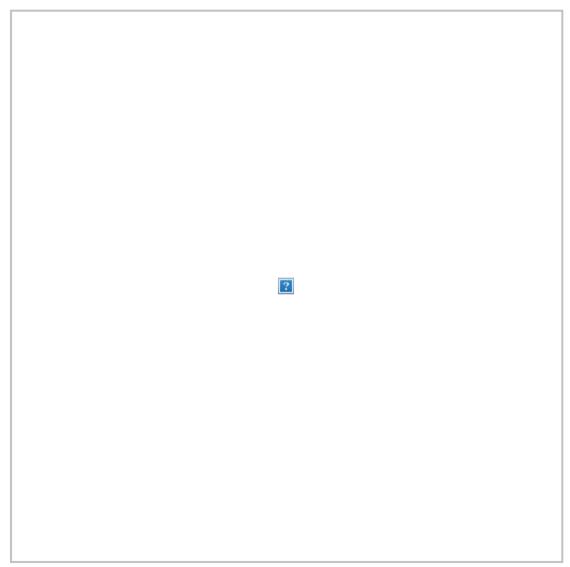
- -- "A solidly summerlike day, with partly to mostly sunny skies and noticeable humidity," the Capital Weather Gang forecasts. "Highs head for the mid-80s, with light winds from the west-southwest around 5-10 mph. The record highs to beat for the day? 88 at DCA, 83 at Dulles, and 82 at BWI."
- -- The Wizards beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 96-91.
- -- The Capitals beat the Colorado Avalanche 3-0
- -- A Richmond federal appeals court agreed to postpone oral arguments in a case over the Washington Redskins' trademark registration, further delaying a long-running case that pits the NFL team against the U.S. patent office and Native Americans groups find the team's name insulting. (lan Shapira)
- -- A high school senior was fatally stabbed on a D.C. Metrobus Tuesday evening, reportedly following a long-running dispute with another young woman over a cell phone. Police said the suspect has been taken into custody and charged. (Peter Hermann)
- -- Marriott International announced plans to relocate its headquarters to downtown Bethesda, deciding to remain in Montgomery County after getting commitment on a \$62 million publicly funded initiative. (Jonathan O'Connell)

VIDEOS OF THE DAY:

Tony Award-winning actress Laura Benanti returned to "The Late								
Show With Stephen Colbert" last night to reprise her spot-on								
parody of Melania Trump — this time with some uncomfortable Billy								
Bush references:								
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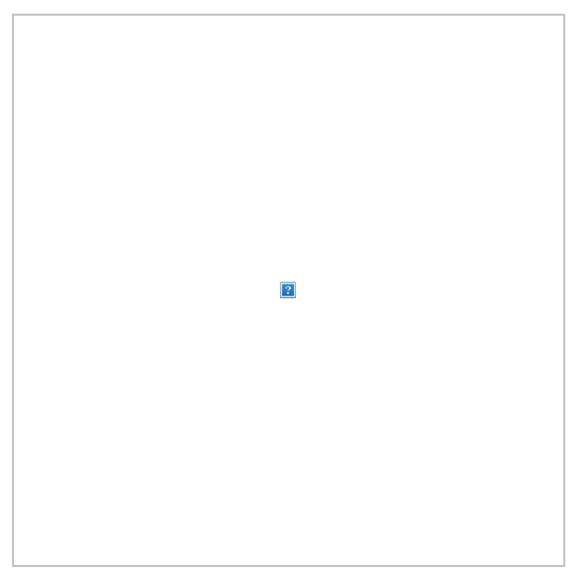


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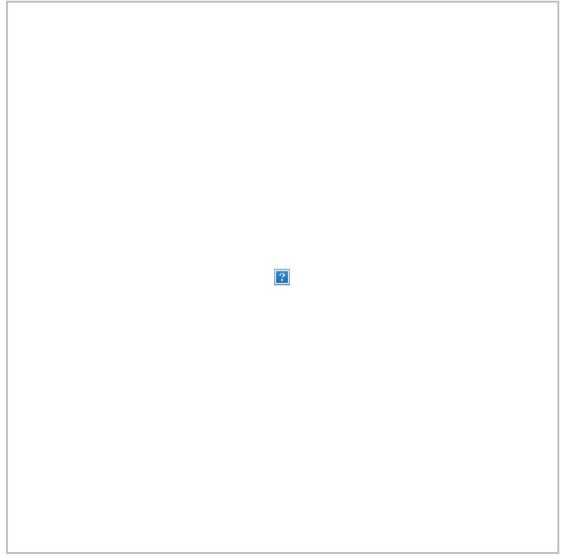
Celebrities arrive for Italian state dinner

"Dreamer" Juan Salazar, who came to the U.S. when he was seven, contemplates what's at stake in this election for him and his undocumented family members:



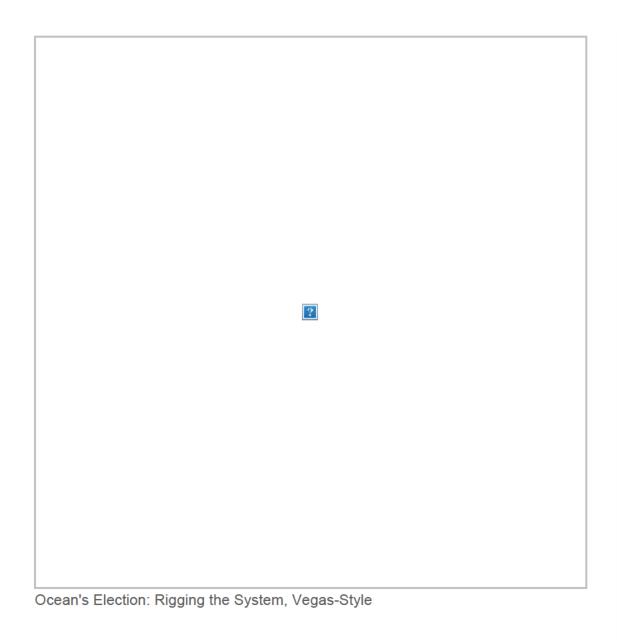
A family in fear: 'Us being separated...is just devastating'

Judy Shepard, whose son Matthew Shepard was murdered in Laramie, Wyoming, in 1998, because he was gay, cut a 1-minute spot for the Clinton Super PAC Priorities USA. "I know what can happen as the result of hate," she says to camera. "So when I see the hate that Donald Trump has brought to his campaign for president, it terrifies me. … Words have an influence, violence causes pain, hate can rip us apart. I know what can happen as the result of hate, and Donald Trump should never be our president."

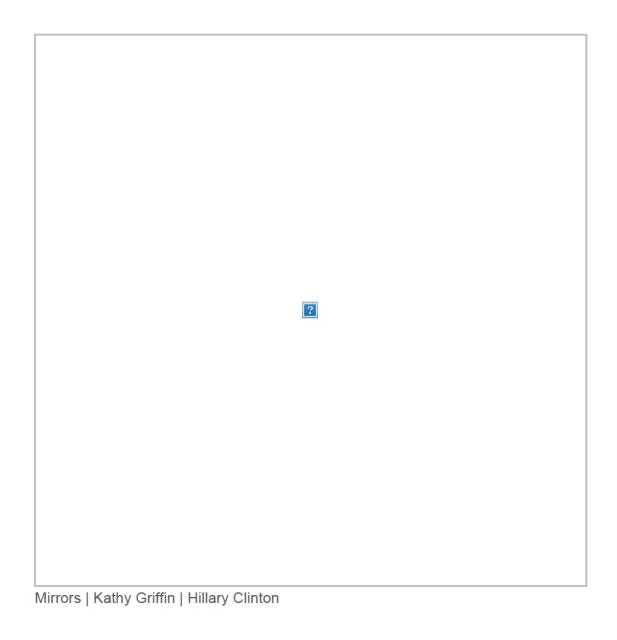


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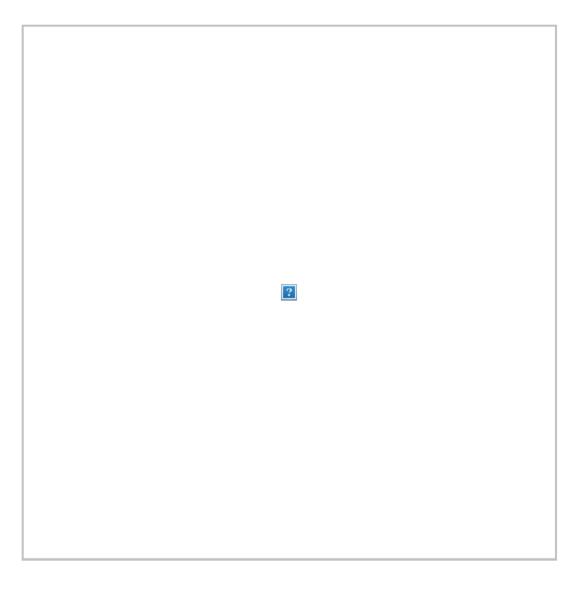
Bloomberg made an Ocean's Eleven-style explainer about whether the election is rigged:



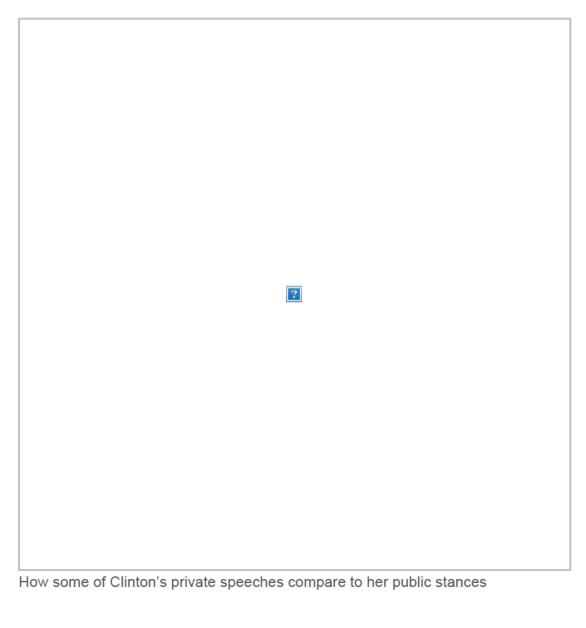
Kathy Griffin taped a video against Trump (warning: profanity):



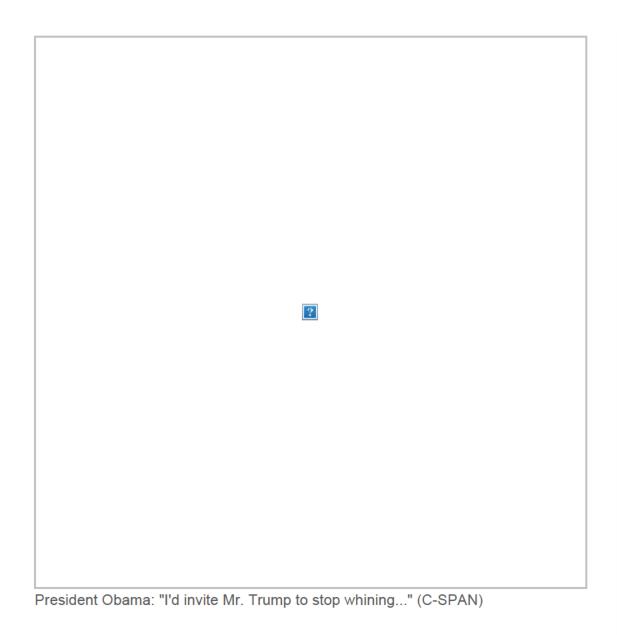
Viceland also used adult language in this Instagram video against Trump:



Compare some of what Clinton says in her stump speech to what she told Goldman Sachs bankers behind closed doors:



Watch Obama speak about Trump's "whining":



Finally, in this video, Canadians tell Americans why our country is already great:

	Canadians 'tell America it's great'	
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Date: Wednesday, October 19, 2016 3:10:01 PM



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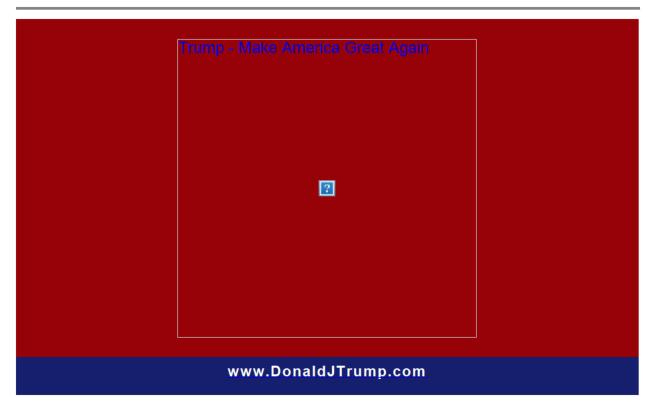
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Gov. Pence in NM, Today! Subject:

Thursday, October 20, 2016 10:46:46 AM Date:





Dear (b) (6), (b) (7)(c)

Remember to get your tickets to join Gov. Mike Pence and team in Albuquerque, NM, Today, Oct. 20th @ 6:00 PM (MST) for a rally! Get your tickets here. Details about the event are below:

Today, October 20th: Albuquerque, NM

Embassy Suites by Hilton Albuquerque Hotel & Spa

1000 Woodward Place NE

Albuquerque, NM 87102

Doors Open: 4:00 PM

Event Begins: 6:00 PM

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Help us win in a crucial battleground state

Date: Friday, October 21, 2016 11:22:50 AM



Are you interested in signing up for the Volunteer Deployment Team to elect Donald J. Trump for President?

As a member of the Volunteer Deployment Team, you are part of a select group of volunteers deployed into critical battleground states – assisting voter outreach efforts on the ground.

Your help is needed. Whether you can deploy for a long weekend or a whole week, Donald Trump needs YOU to ensure victory on November 8th.

Can we count on you to travel to a nearby state to help make America great again?

If you are interested in joining your fellow supporters aboard the Trump Train and traveling to a battleground state between now and Election Day, please visit https://www.donaldjtrump.com/volunteer/deployment to sign up. Based on your chosen battleground state, we will connect you to our in-state staff to integrate you into our grassroots team and provide recommendations on travel and accommodations, as deployed volunteers are responsible for their own expenses.

With your help, Donald Trump and Mike Pence will win on November 8th and make America great again.

Hope to see you soon.

Molly Michael Battleground States Coordinator

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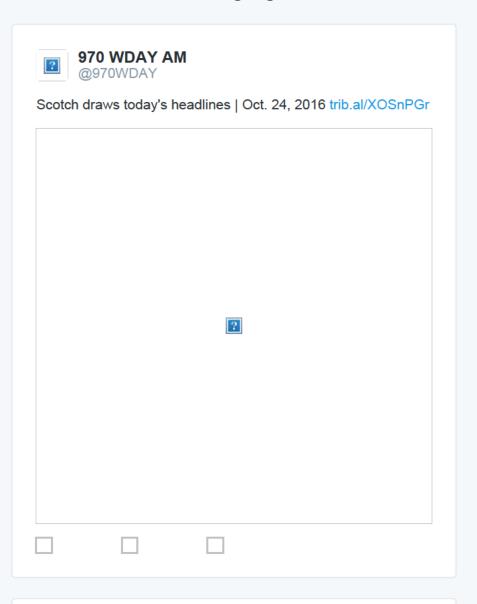
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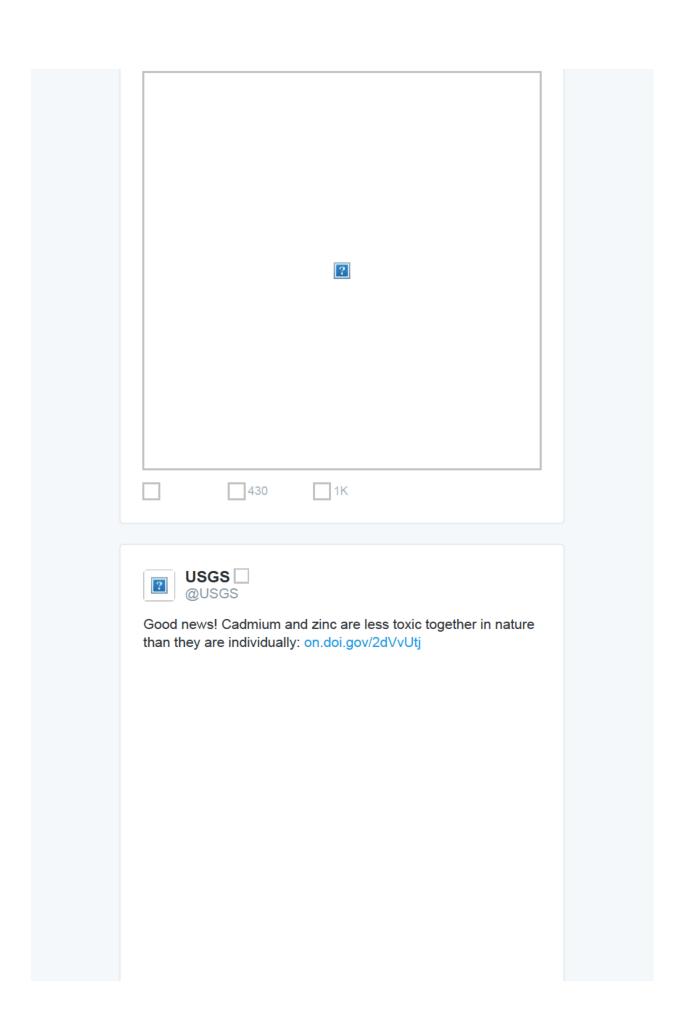


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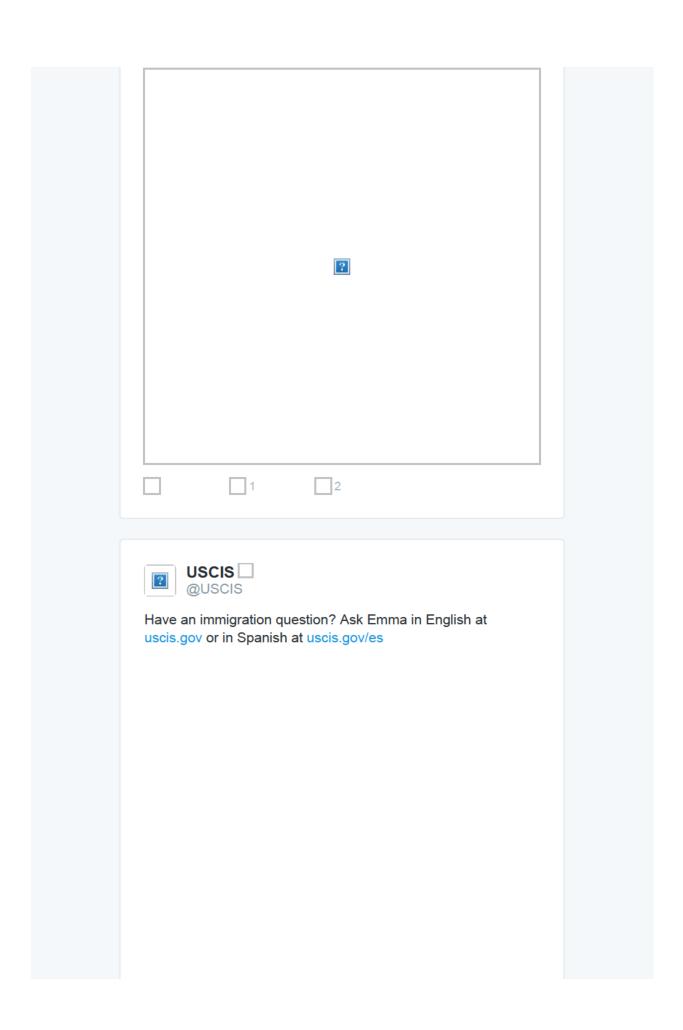
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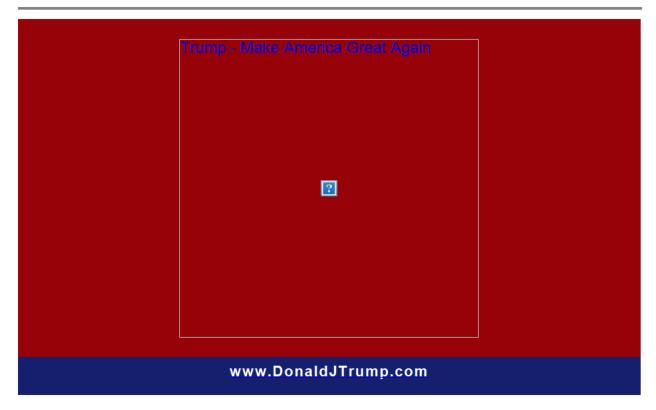


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From: Donald J. Trump for President, Inc.

Subject:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Trump in Manchester, NH! Tuesday, October 25, 2016 7:40:01 PM Date:





Dear (6) (6), (6) (7)(0

Remember to get your tickets to join Donald J. Trump and team in Manchester, NH, Friday, Oct. 28th @ 12:00 PM for a rally! Get your tickets here. Details about the event are below:

Friday, October 28th: Manchester, NH

Radisson Armory 700 Elm Street

Manchester, NH 03101

Doors Open: 9:00 AM

Event Begins: 12:00 PM

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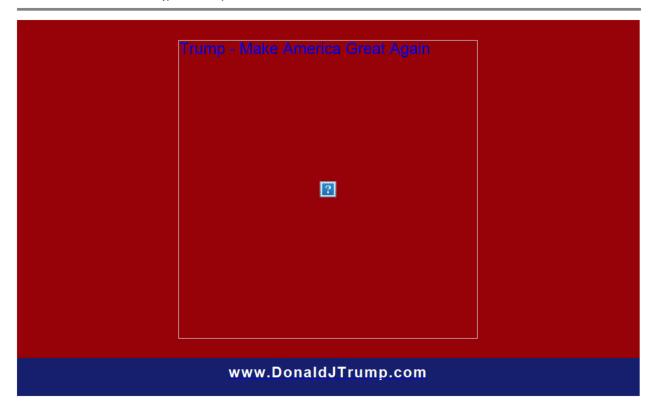
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From: Donald J. Trump for President, Inc.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Trump in Lisbon, ME! Wednesday, October 26, 2016 6:47:30 PM Subject:

Date:





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Remember to get your tickets to join Donald Trump and team in Lisbon,

ME, Friday, October 28th at 4:00 PM for a rally! Get your tickets

here. Details about the event are below:

Friday, October 28th: Lisbon, ME

Open Door Christian Academy Gymnasium

26 Gartley Street

Lisbon, ME 04250

Doors Open: 1:00 PM

Event Begins: 4:00 PM

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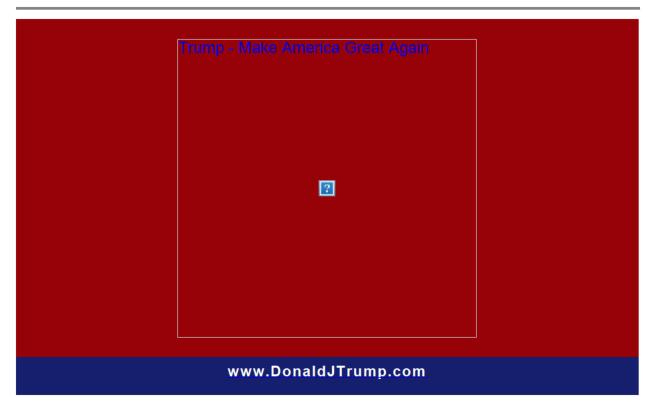
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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Irump in Manchester, NH!

Date: Wednesday, October 26, 2016 11:44:22 PM





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From: <u>Trump Volunteer Team</u>
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: We have missed you on Trump Talk!

Date: Thursday, October 27, 2016 4:28:25 PM



No matter where you are in the country, you can be making calls today on Trump Talk!

Making calls is easy, just follow these simple steps:

- 1) Visit: https://talk.donaldjtrump.com/
- 2) Press the Login / Join Now Button
- 3) Sign in with your username and password
- 4) Click 'forgot password' if you don't remember your account information and a password link will be e-mailed to you.
- 5) Click the yellow 'Learn' button to go through a quick tutorial
- 6) Start making calls for Mr. Trump! The top 3 callers of the next two weeks will receive autographed hats!

If you need any help you can contact us by e-mailing trumptalk@donaldtrump.com or calling (347)474-8797.

We only have 12 days remaining before the biggest election of our lives and we need to do everything to make sure Mr. Trump wins big league on November 8th.

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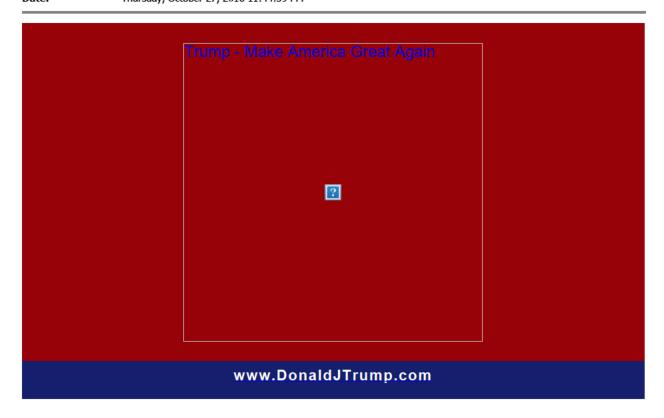
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Donald Trump in Phoenix, AZ Saturday! Thursday, October 27, 2016 11:44:59 PM





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Saturday, October 29th: Phoenix, AZ

Phoenix Convention Center

North Hall A - 3rd Floor 100 N. 3rd Street Phoenix, AZ 85004 Doors Open: 12:30 PM Event Begins: 3:30 PM Get your tickets here. Airport-type security will be in effect. To save time in security, we encourage you to arrive early and to not carry any personal items with you unless necessary. NO BAGS PLEASE. Please limit personal items and arrive early to expedite entrance into the venue - please note, NO homemade signs, banners, professional cameras with a detachable lens, tripods, monopods, selfie sticks, back packs or large bags will be permitted into the venue. We hope to see you there! Sincerely, Team Trump-Pence

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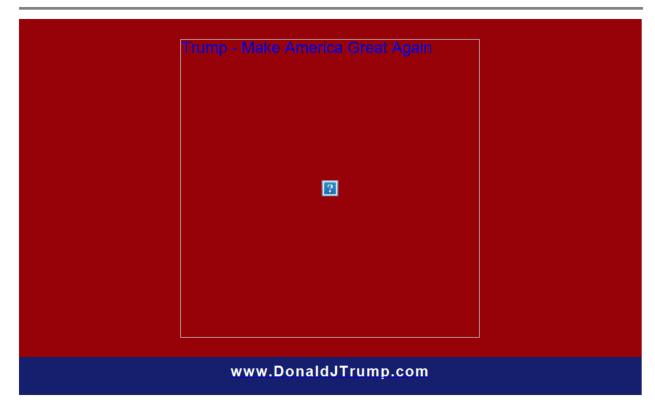
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From: Subject: Date:

Donald J. Trump for President, Inc.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Donald Trump in Phoenix, AZ Tomorrow! Friday, October 28, 2016 9:57:24 AM





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Phoenix Convention Center North Hall A - 3rd Floor 100 N. 3rd Street

Phoenix, AZ 85004

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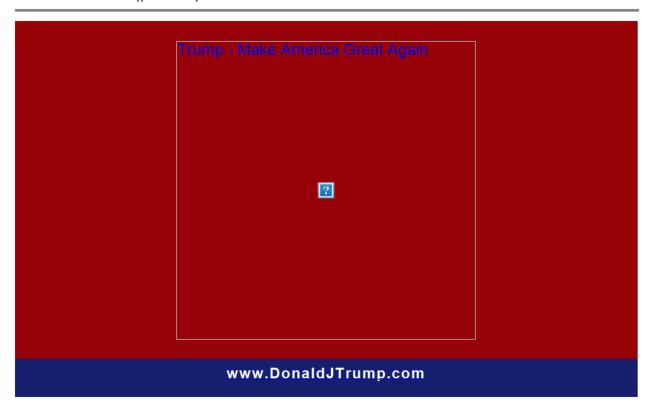


From: Donald J. Trump for President, Inc.

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Gov. Pence in Rochester, NH!

Date: Friday, October 28, 2016 4:17:39 PM





Dear (6) (6), (6) (7)(6)

Remember to get your tickets to join Gov. Mike Pence and team in Rochester, NH, **Sunday**, **Oct. 30th @ 1:00 PM** for a rally! <u>Get your tickets</u> <u>here</u>. Details about the event are below:

Sunday, October 30th: Rochester, NH

Governor's Inn

78 Wakefield St.

Rochester, NH 03867

Doors Open: 11:00 AM

Event Begins: 1:00 PM

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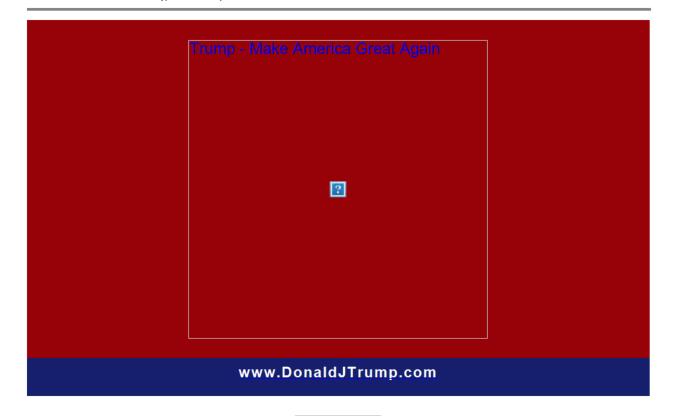
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Donald Trump in Phoenix, AZ Today!
Saturday, October 29, 2016 11:02:09 AM





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Saturday, October 29th: Phoenix, AZ

Phoenix Convention Center
North Hall A - 3rd Floor
100 N. 3rd Street

Phoenix, AZ 85004

Doors Open: 12:30 PM

Event Begins: 3:00 PM

Get your tickets here.

Airport-type security will be in effect. To save time in security, we encourage you to arrive early and to not carry any personal items with you unless necessary. NO BAGS PLEASE.

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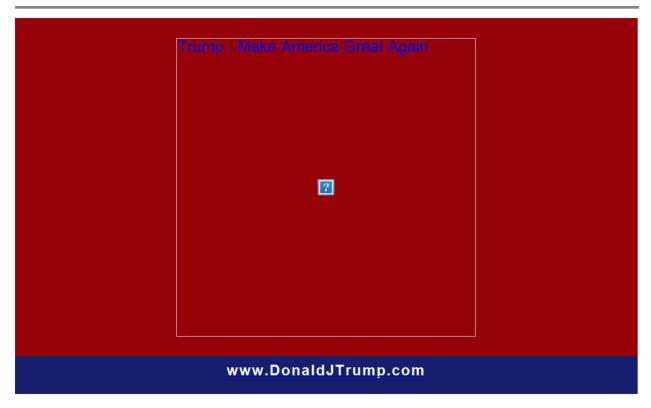
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From: Donald J. Trump for President, Inc. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Gov. Pence in Rochester, NH Tomorrow! To:

Subject: Saturday, October 29, 2016 11:54:17 AM Date:





JOIN US IN ROCHESTER, NH TOMORROW!



Dear (6) (8), (6) (7)(0

Remember to get your tickets to join Gov. Mike Pence and team in Rochester, NH, tomorrow, Oct. 30th @ 1:00 PM for a rally! Get your tickets here. Details about the event are below:

Sunday, October 30th: Rochester, NH

Governor's Inn

78 Wakefield St.

Rochester, NH 03867

Doors Open: 11:00 AM

Event Begins: 1:00 PM

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From: Trump Volunteer Team
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Gene - we need your help

Date: Saturday, October 29, 2016 12:30:45 PM



In the final days before Election Day, Donald Trump needs YOUR help. We are calling ALL supporters to sign up for the Volunteer Deployment Team to elect Donald J. Trump President.

As a member of the Volunteer Deployment Team, you are part of a select group of volunteers deployed into critical battleground states – assisting voter outreach efforts on the ground.

Can we count on you to travel to a nearby state to help make America great again?

If you are interested in joining your fellow supporters aboard the Trump Train and traveling to a battleground state between now and Election Day, please

visit https://www.donaldjtrump.com/volunteer/deployment to sign up. Based on the Battleground State you choose, we will connect you to our in-state staff to integrate you into our grassroots team and provide recommendations on travel and accommodations, as deployed volunteers are responsible for their own expenses.

With your help, Donald Trump and Mike Pence will win on November 8th and Make America Great Again.

Hope to see you soon,

Molly Michael Battleground States Coordinator

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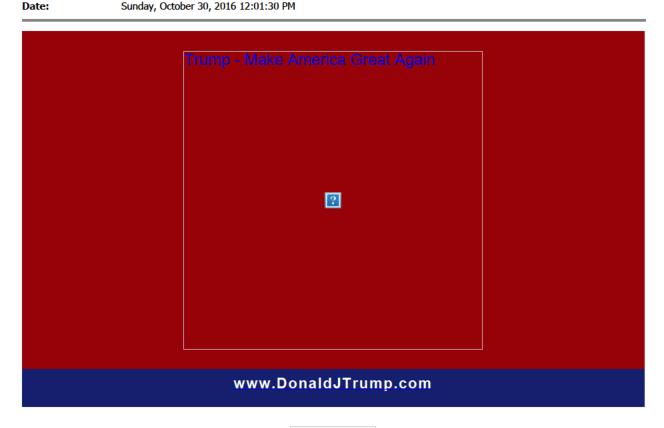
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From: Donald J. Trump for President, Inc.

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Gov. Pence in Rochester, NH Today!

Date: Sunday, October 30, 2016 12:01:30 PM





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To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Tickets Warren, MI | Donald J Trump for President Sunday, October 30, 2016 3:24:44 PM Subject:

Date:

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From: Trump Volunteer Team

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: 8 more days to call for Mr. Trump

Date: Sunday, October 30, 2016 6:26:46 PM



Fellow Trump supporters, we have **Eight days** until the biggest election of our lifetime..

In order for us to defeat Crooked Hillary we have to be united for the last week.

Mr. Trump always says this is not a campaign this is a movement. To make this movement "Big-League" on election day make calls to fellow voters.

If you want to be a part of this historic movement log on to https://talk.donaldjtrump.com/.

If everyone makes 100 calls a day from now until the election, there is a clear path to victory!

When Mr. Trump takes the White House, your country will thank you for the hard work you put in!

Trump Volunteer Team

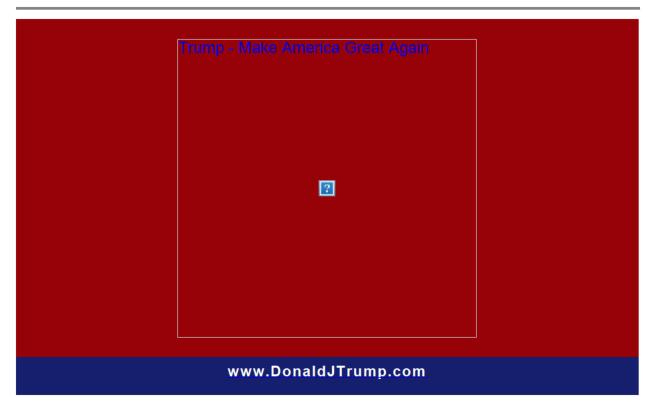
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Gov. Pence in Las Cruces, NM! Subject:

Tuesday, November 1, 2016 12:00:01 AM Date:





Dear (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

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Wednesday, November 2nd: Las Cruces, NM

Southwest Aviation Inc.

8940 Zia Blvd.

Las Cruces, NM 88007

Gates Open: 12:00 PM

Event Begins: 2:00 PM

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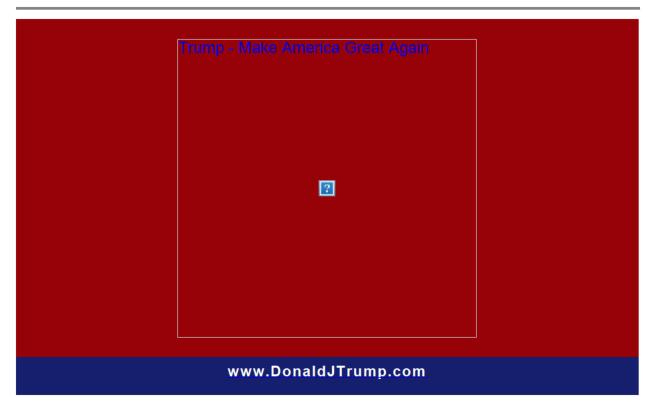
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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Gov. Pence in Mesa, AZ!

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Date: Tuesday, November 1, 2016 12:48:23 AM





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AZ Wednesday, Nov. 2nd at 10:00 AM for a rally! Get your tickets

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Wednesday, November 2nd: Mesa, AZ

Mesa Convention Center

263 N Center St.

Mesa, AZ 85201

Doors Open: 8:00 AM

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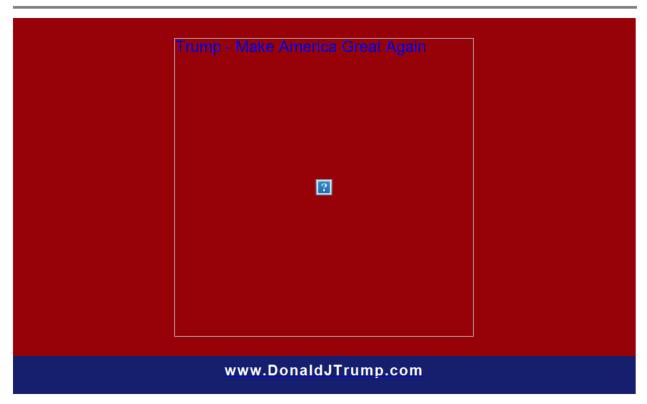
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Gov. Pence in Las Cruces, NM TOMORROW! Subject: Date: Tuesday, November 1, 2016 1:10:21 PM





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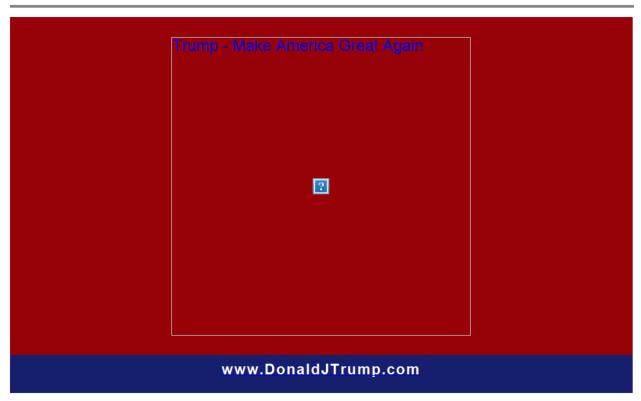


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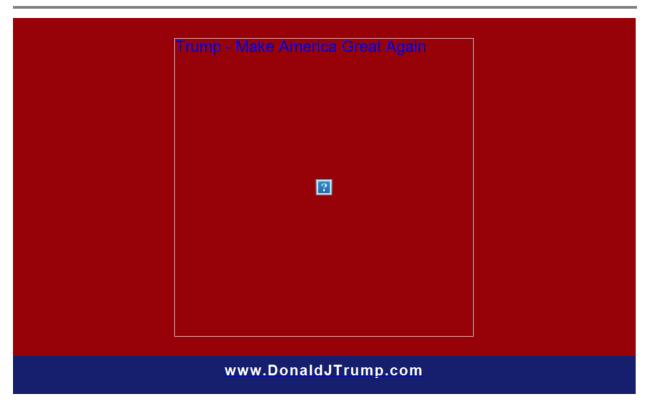
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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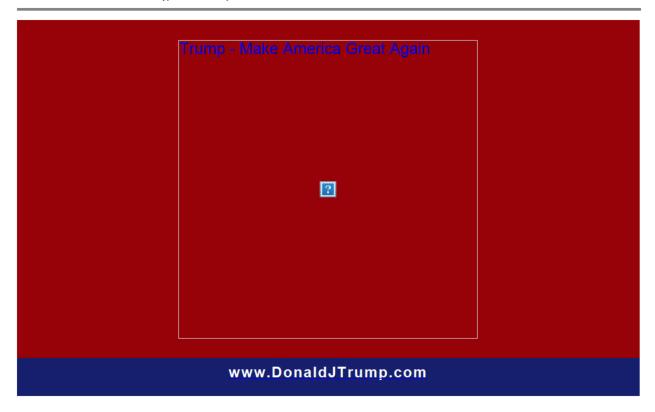
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Date: Wednesday, November 2, 2016 1:19:48 AM





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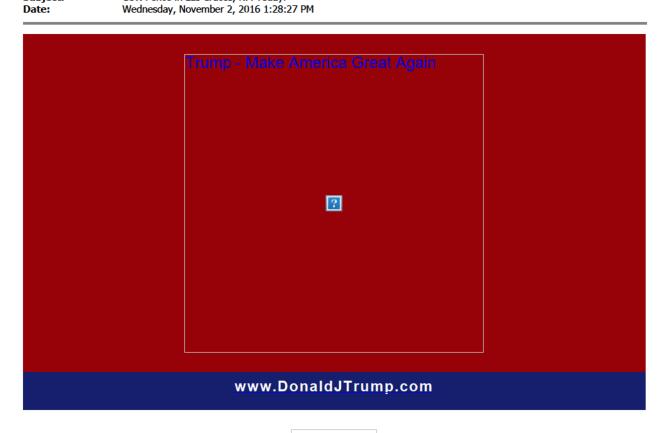
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From: <u>Trump Volunteer Team</u>
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: YOU can be the difference in this election!

Date: Wednesday, November 2, 2016 4:06:14 PM



Fellow Trump supporters, we all understand the importance of this election to change our country for the better.

Having Crooked Hillary in the White House would be a disaster for our nation.

Together we can stop her. The best way for you to help Mr. Trump's campaign is by making phone calls on https://talk.donaldjtrump.com/.

Each one of us needs to make 50 calls a day so we can spread Mr. Trump's message across the country.

Thank you for all of your hard work, it will all pay off when we put Mr. Trump in the White House!

Trump Volunteer Team

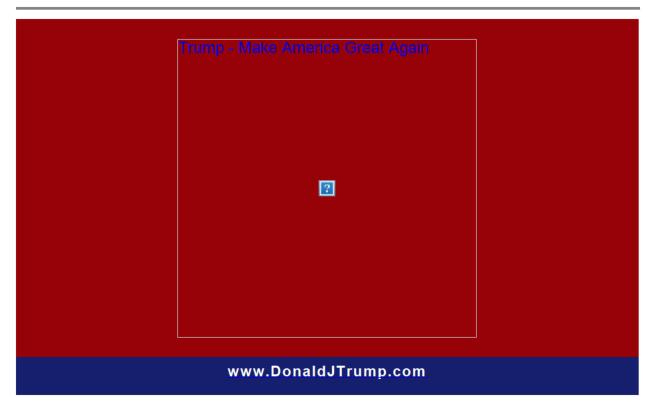
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From: Donald J. Trump for President, Inc.

Subject:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Trump in Manchester, NH! Wednesday, November 2, 2016 5:44:10 PM Date:





Dear (6) (8), (6) (7)(0

Remember to get your tickets to join Donald J. Trump and team in Manchester, NH Monday, Nov. 7th at 8:00 PM for a rally! Get your tickets here. Details about the event are below:

Monday, Nov. 7th: Manchester, NH

SNHU Arena

555 Elm St.

Manchester, NH 03101

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Event Begins: 8:00 PM

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 From:
 Trump Pence Faith

 To:
 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Call to Action for Catholic Voters!

Date: Wednesday, November 2, 2016 9:10:31 PM



We are 6 days out from Election Day on November 8 and the campaign is in overdrive!

The opponent has 5 events between now and November 8. Mr. Trump has 5 events in the next 2 days and 9 in the next 3, and I can tell you, he will be moving at an even more blistering pace thereafter. Please spread the word of the vast intensity gap between the schedules in your conversations, e-mails and on social media.

To give you a further sense of things, we have pulled ahead of the opponent in national polls after being down as many as 12 points two weeks ago, and this was prior to the news of the FBI opening their new investigation. We cannot take anything for granted, and now we must forge on with our prayers and work.

Just looking at the latest brewing scandal is yet another reminder where the corrupt opponent and her cronies would take our country. From ethics and on issues of importance to Catholics, the opponent would be a disaster for us. Please continue to show your support for Donald Trump by tweeting at **#TrumpForCatholics**.

Today, I wanted to reach out on some final action items that Mr. Trump's campaign needs your help with immediately.

First, pray. Please continue on our <u>Novena to Saint Jude</u>, and in praying the <u>Knights of Columbus Novena</u> to <u>Mary</u>. Lastly, say one <u>Rosary</u> for the final nine days of the campaign.

Second, here is a link to our Catholic Voter Alert. You can print, divide in two, and distribute to friends, families and colleagues. Here is a link to a version you can post on Facebook or Twitter. This highlights the stark differences between Mr. Trump and Gov. Pence with Hillary Clinton on issues of greatest importance to Catholics.

Third, if you are in any of <u>these</u> states, click on your state and then click on "Headquarters" near the bottom of the page and ask how you can best help in the final days of the campaign.

Fourth, to make GOTV (get out the vote) calls from the comfort of your home, click <u>here</u> and sign up in the upper right corner.

Fifth, to volunteer to be a Trump election observer, click <u>here</u>.

Remember that Mr. Trump and Gov. Pence will defend the Catholic Church and the issues of greatest importance to Catholics. And a vote for Hillary Clinton will **continue her campaign against life**, the **erosion of Religious Liberty** and ensure a Supreme Court hostile to the Catholic Church and us as Catholics.

Please use social media and show your support by using the hashtag **#TrumpForCatholics**. And please check out, share and like our page on Facebook: <u>Trump for Catholics</u>. Check us out on <u>Twitter</u> too!

Onward!

MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN!

God Bless.

Sincerely Yours,

Joseph Cella Catholic Liaison Donald J. Trump for President, Inc.

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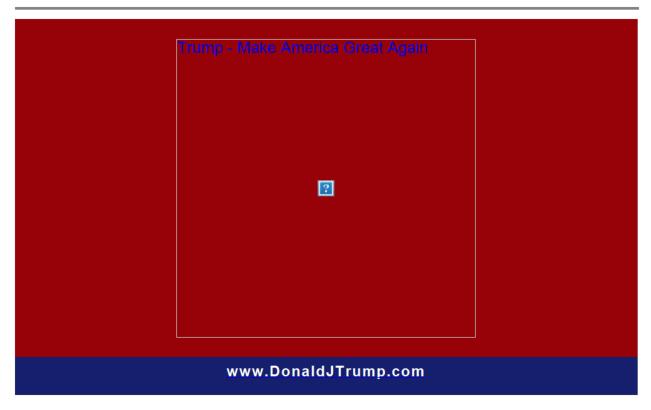
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From: <u>Donald J. Trump for President, Inc.</u>

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Subject: Mr. Irump in NH!

Date: Thursday, November 3, 2016 12:46:02 AM





Dear (6) (6), (6) (7)(6)

Remember to get your tickets to join Donald Trump and team in Atkinson, NH Friday, Nov. 4th at 12:00 PM for a rally! Get your tickets here. Details about the event are below:

Friday, Nov. 4th: Atkinson, NH

Atkinson Country Club

85 Country Club Dr. Atkinson, NH 03811

Doors Open: 9:00 AM

Event Begins: 12:00 PM

Get your tickets here.

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From: <u>Texas for Trump</u>
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Join Our Volunteer Effort To Put Mr. Trump Over-The-Top

Date: Thursday, November 3, 2016 9:07:17 AM



Dear Trump Team,

Victory is within reach. Please join our Texas volunteer effort this week to help put Mr. Trump over-the-top.

There are two major volunteer needs:

- 1. Phone from home to battleground states. Please log onto Trump Talk by <u>CLICKING HERE</u> and help make calls this week.
- 2. Join our Strike Teams traveling to battleground states, Florida and Colorado. Email info.tx@donaldtrump.com if you can join us.

With less than a week until election day, now is the time to push for victory! Please join the fight and lets "Make America Great Again!"

Thank you for all of your hard work and effort.

Sincerely,

Joshua Jones Texas State Director Donald J. Trump for President

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From: <u>Trump Team Arizona</u>
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Hurry - Mr. Trump will be in Phoenix Tomorrow!

Date: Thursday, November 3, 2016 2:07:46 PM

(b)(6);(b)(7)(C)

With Election Day a mere five days away, Donald Trump Jr. is headed back to Arizona to rally votes for his father!

Join the movement and come hear him talk about his father's transformative message of America first.

Crooked Hillary will continue to empower corrupt Washington politicians and use pay-to-play schemes when deciding on policy decisions that affect hard working Americans.

Donald Trump will make America great again by bringing jobs back and keeping our nation safe.

The rally will take place in Downtown Gilbert on Friday, November 4 from 11:00 – 11:45 AM:

Gilbert Water Tower 45 W Page Ave Gilbert, AZ 85296

RSVP here to reserve your spot!

While you're at it, sign up to volunteer or make calls from the comfort of your own home to help Mr. Trump spread his message!

Trump talk: https://talk.donalditrump.com/

Help us make America great again.

See you soon, Brian Seitchik and Thayer Verschoor

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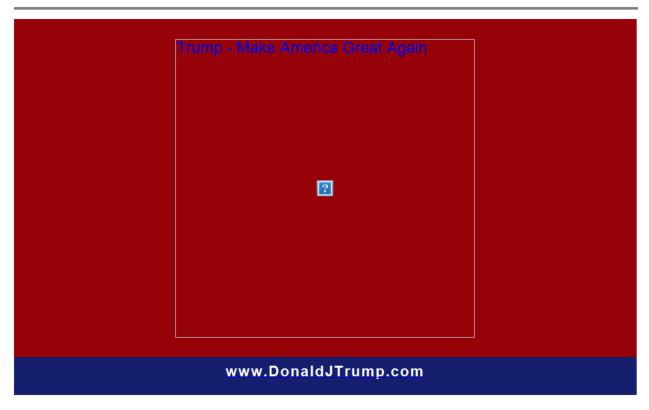
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From: <u>Trump Team Arizona</u>
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Dr. Carson and Governor Fallin want to see Volunteers Tomorrow!

Date: Friday, November 4, 2016 7:19:17 PM

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Dr. Ben Carson and Governor Mary Fallin are coming to Arizona!

Arizonans face a vital decision this year: continue with the failed policies of Washington Democrats or support common sense solutions that will return America to its former glory. This year, it is imperative that Republicans stick together as this election will change the country for a generation.

Defenders of religious freedom and the 2nd amendment, Dr. Carson and Governor Fallin have been strong and steady figures for Republicans during this election cycle.

Tomorrow November 5th, they will be holding two rallies for volunteers helping Mr. Trump's campaign to get out the vote.

Be a part of making America great again by joining us tomorrow at one or both of the following rallies!

Arizona Republican Party Headquarters 2:25 – 3:00 PM 3501 N. 24th St., Phoenix, AZ 85016

and/or

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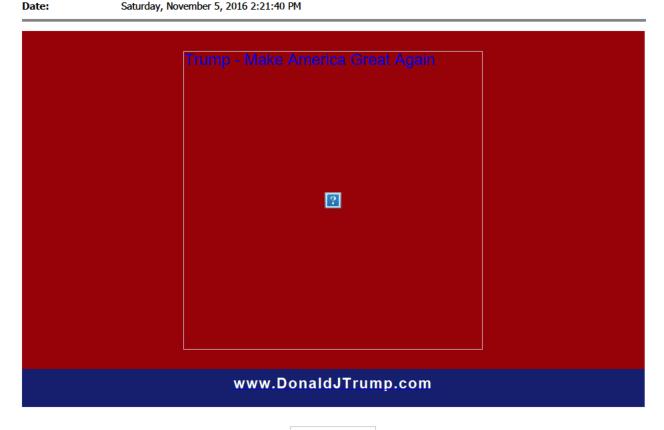
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From: Donald J. Trump for President, Inc.
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Irump & Pence in Manchester, NH!
Date: Saturday, November 5, 2016 2:21:40 PM





Dear (6) (6), (6) (7)(6)

Remember to get your tickets to join Donald Trump, Governor Mike

Pence, and team in Manchester, NH Monday, Nov. 7th at 8:00 PM for a
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Monday, Nov. 7th: Manchester, NH

SNHU Arena

555 Elm St.

Manchester, NH 03101

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Event Begins: 8:00 PM

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Sincerely,

Team Trump-Pence

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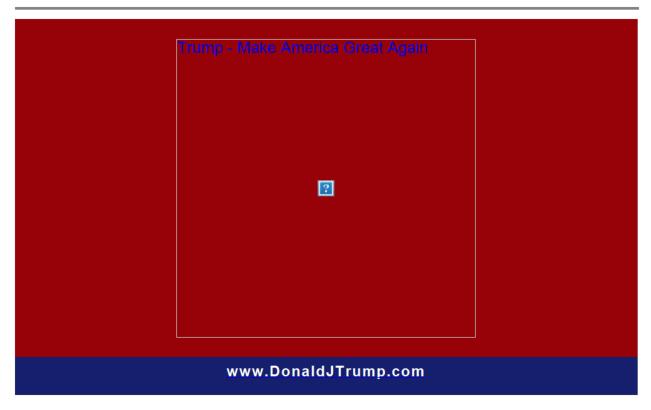
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From: Donald J. Trump for President, Inc.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Gov. Pence in NH Tomorrow! Subject:

Saturday, November 5, 2016 3:10:17 PM Date:





Dear (6) (8), (6) (7)(0

Remember to get your tickets to join Governor Mike Pence and team in Windham, NH, tomorrow, Nov. 6th at 8:30 PM (EST) for a rally! Get your tickets here. Details about the event are below:

Sunday, Nov. 6th: Windham, NH

Derry - Windham Campaign Office

Northland Farms Business Center
183 Rockingham Rd
Windham, NH 03087
Doors Open: 6:30 PM (EST)
Event Begins: 8:30 PM (EST)
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From: Trump Volunteer Team
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: TWO days to make calls!

Date: Sunday, November 6, 2016 9:01:16 AM



We have TWO days left until the election.

This election is close, and we need your help to put us over the top.

Join this campaign by logging on to https://talk.donaldjtrump.com/ to make phone calls.

Dial 50 calls a day, and swing the election in Mr. Trump's favor.

Thank you for your hard work, to set Mr. Trump on the road to the White House!

Trump Volunteer Team

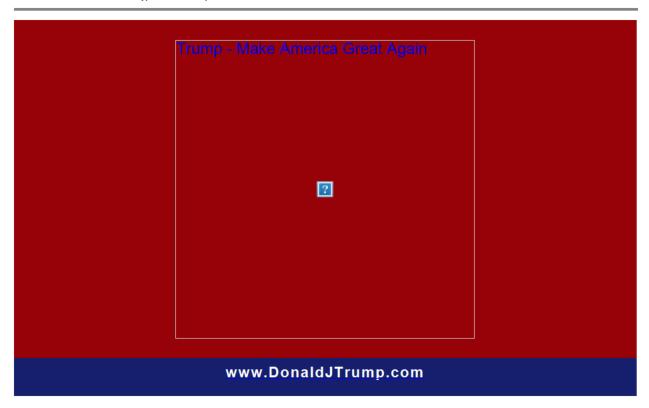
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From: Donald J. Trump for President, Inc.

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Gov. Pence in Windham, NH TODAY!

Date: Sunday, November 6, 2016 3:25:18 PM





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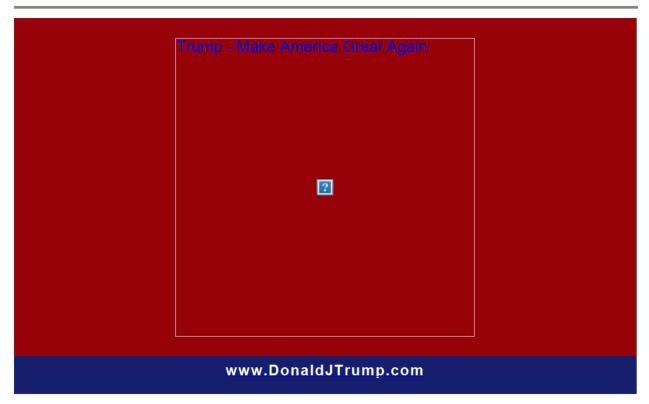
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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Trump & Pence in Manchester, NH Tomorrow!
Date: Sunday, November 6, 2016 3:46:09 PM





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Subject:New York Volunteers Needed for VictoryDate:Sunday, November 6, 2016 7:03:19 PM





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We are making a difference by calling into battleground states, so we can't stop now.

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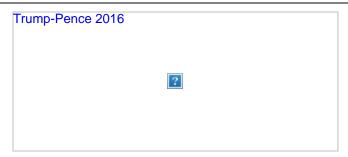
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Subject: Maryland Volunteers Needed for Victory

Date: Sunday, November 6, 2016 7:33:49 PM





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Subject:Texas Volunteers Needed for VictoryDate:Sunday, November 6, 2016 7:40:32 PM





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Subject:New York Volunteers Needed for VictoryDate:Sunday, November 6, 2016 7:51:09 PM





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From: <u>Trump Volunteer Team</u>
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Last chance to save the nation, what will you do?

Date: Sunday, November 6, 2016 8:40:39 PM



The most important vote you will ever cast is only 2 days away.

But even your vote is not enough. Many other Americans must vote for Mr. Trump in key battle ground states to make sure Mr. Trump is our next president.

This election will be won by the people, not the special interest.

Mr. Trump is relying on you to spread his message to your neighbors. The best way for us to do that is by logging on to https://talk.donaldjtrump.com/ to make your voice heard to fellow voters.

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to change our country. We must all work as hard as possible to put Mr. Trump in the White House.

Thank you!

Trump Volunteer Team

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From: <u>Sarah Benichou</u>
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Make Calls for Donald J. Trump!

Date: Sunday, November 6, 2016 9:29:24 PM



It is not enough to sit back and read the latest polls about Mr. Trump - the campaign needs your help to continue the momentum. The 2016 Presidential Election is not won...yet. There are less than 48 hours until the election!

The campaign here in San Antonio wants you to be a part of history. Come make calls for Mr. Trump at our call center!

Training is provided, quick and easy. There is no need to bring any equipment, which is also provided. Food and beverages will be served. Parking is available.

Just come for a few hours on Monday Nov. 7 and/or Tuesday Nov. 8 to help. We are open from 3pm to 8pm on Monday, and from 9am to 4pm on Tuesday. Your help is *very* important for the campaign!

In order to sign up, send an email to myself at sbenichou@donaldtrump.com.

Thank you for all your hard work and support.

Sincerely,

Sarah Benichou National Call Center Manager sbenichou@donaldtrump.com

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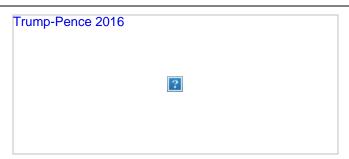
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Subject: New York Volunteers - BREAKING NEWS from Battleground States

Date: Monday, November 7, 2016 8:02:47 AM





Breaking news reports from our teams in battleground states show a very tight race. The Trump New York Team is doubling its efforts on the phones.

Please join us today and tomorrow by phoning from home at least 30 minutes per day. Log into the Trump Talk home phone system by **CLICKING HERE**.

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Maryland Volunteers - BREAKING NEWS from Battleground States Subject:

Monday, November 7, 2016 8:19:30 AM Date:





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Subject: New York Volunteers – BREAKING NEWS from Battleground States

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From: Trump-Pence 2016 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) To:

Texas Volunteers – BREAKING NEWS from Battleground States Subject:

Date: Monday, November 7, 2016 9:30:40 AM





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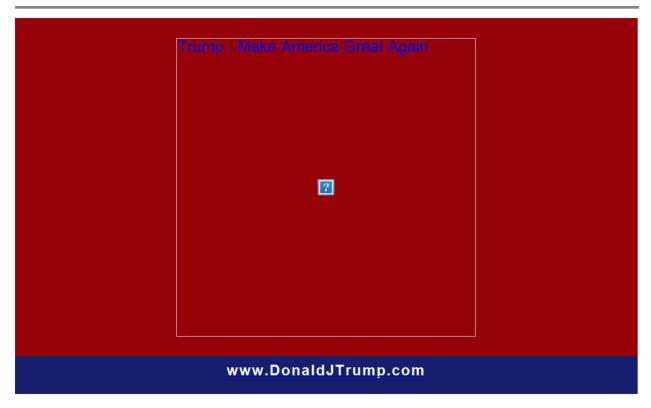
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From: Donald J. Trump for President, Inc.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Trump & Pence in Manchester, NH Today! Monday, November 7, 2016 10:06:29 AM Subject: Date:





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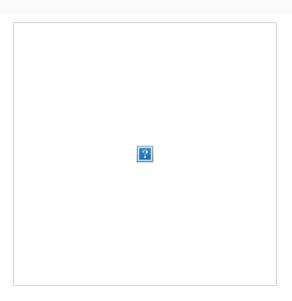
From: Subject:

Whatcom Republicans (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Election Night Celebrations

Monday, November 7, 2016 4:01:08 PM Date:

Whatcom County for Trump

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The Whatcom County Republican Party is Proud to announce our Celebration of Republican Victories on Election Night. The National results will begin at 4:00PM at the American Legion and not long after at 6:00PM at the Lynden Fair Rotary Center watch the National State and local results with Representatives: Luanne Van Werven and Vince Buys hosting Attend both if you can.

Tuesday Night, November 08, 2016

FROM 4:00 pm

the East Coast starts at 5:00 we will be tracking Presidential, Senate and House Votes right across the USA.

Location: American Legion - Albert J. Hamilton Post No.7

1688 West Bakerview Rd., Bellingham, WA

98226 (360) 734-3110

Please RSVP via email if attending this event and can bring a Salad.

At 6:00 PM
Luanne Van Werven and Vince
Buys host a great Elections Night
Party at 1775 Front St Lynden Fair
Rotary Building



Rep. Vince Buys

Rep. Luanne VanWerven

Join us to see local and national returns on the big screen watch with us and celebrate our victories

SIGN WAVE FOR TRUMP WITH GOP PARTY

Tuesday, November 8, from 7:30-9:00 am
Along the Ferndale Bridge

Tuesday, November 8, from 12:00-1:30 pm At Hinote's Corner (Hannegan and E Pole Rd.)

Thank You - Celebration for Trump supporters

Did you know we also have a celebratory THANK YOU on Saturday Nov. 12, at Meridian

HS at 10:00 am at the Republican Party Central Committee meeting. We Trumpers will provide the victory cake.

See you there and THANK YOU for your amazing dedication and hard work.

Calling Parties at the Whatcom GOP Office
2321 E. Bakerview Rd. Suite B
Our Candidates need your help to win!
Come make calls to help to get Trump
supporters out to vote (GOTV). Come to the
GOP office (360) 734-5215 with other
supporters in a fun atmosphere with food
and drink. Every vote counts..

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From: Trump-Pence 2016

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: National Voter Assistance Hotline

Date: Monday, November 7, 2016 6:21:23 PM

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Thank you again for supporting Donald Trump for President. Just a reminder that if you encounter any problems casting a ballot or if you witness any disruptions at a polling location please call our Voter Assistance Hotline at (844) 332-2016. You can also report any of these incidents on-line at:

https://www.donaldjtrump.com/landing/election-issue

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Subject: New York Election Day Needs for Trump/Pence
Date: Tuesday, November 8, 2016 9:57:48 AM





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Subject: Texas Election Day Needs for Trump/Pence
Date: Tuesday, November 8, 2016 10:09:40 AM





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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Date: Tuesday, November 8, 2016 11:45:05 AM

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Today November 8th all eyes will turn to states like Arizona in the West. Show the country by voting for Donald J. Trump as the next President of the United States! Click the link to find more information about your polling place: https://www.azsos.gov/

As your State's Treasurer, I am counting on you to make Arizona proud by voting. Your polling place opens at 8:00 AM. Plan your day around voting for Mr. Trump, so pledge your support here: http://www.thetrumpcontract.com/

Don't forget to tell your friends to vote for Mr. Trump, so log into Trump Talk and make calls. I spoke to Mr. Trump the other day, and he challenged each one of his Supporters to dial 100 calls. Those reminders could be 100 more votes. Log in here: https://talk.donalditrump.com/

If you see an issue at a polling place, or even possible voter fraud, *speak up*, do not keep silent. Call (844) 332-2016 or click here to report the problem: https://www.donalditrump.com/landing/election-issue

Remember, the Polls close at 9:00 PM, so do not miss your opportunity to raise you voice. This country needs a leader like Mr. Trump, not another career politician. Find your polling place at the link and go vote for Mr. Trump in Arizona: https://www.azsos.gov/

Let's Make America Great Again,

Jeff DeWit State Treasurer of Arizona

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Arizona,

Did you vote early?

Was your ballot properly counted?

Confirm that your Mail-in ballot was accepted and counted by clicking here. https://voter.azsos.gov/VoterView/AbsenteeBallotSearch.do

If you mailed your ballot, or if you voted at an early voting location and your ballot was NOT received according to the above website, please contact your County Recorder: https://www.azsos.gov/elections/voting-election/contact-information-county-election-officials

Thank you for your efforts to help make America great again!

Brian Seitchik

Arizona Director, Donald J. Trump for President

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November 7, 2016

Comment: We Endorse

Immigration Daily has not endorsed any candidate of any Party for any elected political office "national or local" in more than 18 years of continuous daily publication. This is, in large part, due to the fact that immigration has never been central to any national election until the current Presidential race, and in small part, due to the fact that for most elections the two Parties have not historically had insurmountable differences over immigration policy.

For the election tomoro, both Presidential candidates have laid out their respective visions for immigration in no uncertain terms, offering a significant contrast to each other in approach to immigration policy, and are openly asking the American people for a mandate to carry forth their particular vision into immediate implementation in American policy, law and practice early in 2017. This is the first time since the 1920s, in nearly a century, that immigration has risen to an apex position in the national debate, reflecting no doubt the fact that immigrants as a percentage of US population are now at peaks last seen in the 1020s.

Mr. Trump's rhetoric has focused on undocumented immigrants, and many of our readers can be forgiven for feeling that his actions, if elected President, would therefore focus on the undocumented. However, nothing could be farther from the truth in fact, if elected, Mr. Trump would devastate both documented and undocumented immigration, both temporary and permanent. As examples, H1B and EB5 would both be wiped out from America's immigration system should Mr. Trump be elected. We offer below Mr. Trump's own words, taken from his own position statement on immigration on his website (https://www.donaldjirump.com/policies/immigration/) on H1B and EB5, translated as they apply to H1B and EB5.

H1E

The first 3 bullets from Mr. Trump's vision statement appear below together with the true and correct translation:

"Prioritize the jobs, wages and security of the American people."

Translation: Make H1Bs impossible through a draconian prevailing wage regime "Establish new immigration controls to boost wages and to ensure that open jobs are offered to American workers first."

Translation: Institute labor certifications for H1Bs, making H1Bs impracticable (in other words, put the US Department of Labor in charge of all H1Bs guaranteeing multi-year delays in visa issuance, thus killing the H1B program)

"Protect the economic well-being of the lawful immigrants already living here by curbing uncontrolled foreign worker admissions."

Translation: Cut H1B quotas down to four figures to, in effect, abolish the H1B

EB5

Point number 10 in Mr. Trump's 10-point immigration plan appears below together with the true and correct translation:

"Reform legal immigration to serve the best interests of America and its workers, keeping immigration levels within historic norms."

Translation: Reduce all permanent immigration quotas (including EB5 quotas) down by 80% or more, in effect killing the EB5 program.

We assure our readers that the above translations are not hyperbole. Mr. Trump's statement on immigration was crafted, as he has repeatedly acknowledged, with the assistance of Sen. Sessions (R-AL). Immigration Daily has observed (and occasionally commented on) Sen. Sessions's vision of immigration to rever a decade, we are quite familiar with his ideas. Sen. Sessions's vision of immigration is profoundly reactionary, he wants America to revert to immigration levels seen from the 1920s to the 1980s, in other words, to levels when the openly racist National Origin Quota system was in place in America. He has no love lost for either H18 or E185, and would gladly throw both programs away in his pursuit of a whiter America. Immigration is the one real asset America has against its major trade and military competitors across the world, but Mr. Sessions cares about race over every other consideration. Mr. Trump is using Mr. Sessions' blatantly racist blueprint for his Presidential campaign immigration policy statement. Immigration Daily strongly condemns Mr. Trump's immigration vision.

Ms. Clinton's immigration policy statement

(https://www.hillaryclinton.com/issues/immigration-reform/) offers tremendous hope, not just for the undocumented, but for H1B and EB5 too. Her promise of Comprehensive Immigration Reform guarantees massive increases in temporary and permanent numbers for both H1B and EB5 practically every Comprehensive Immigration Reform bill introduced in Congress over the last decade has featured stupendous increases for H1B and EB5. Immigration Daily strongly commends Ms. Ciliton's immigration vision.

Immigration Daily doesn't just preach non-partisanship, we practice it. As proof, we have proudly carried, over the last 16 years, more Republican-authored immigration policy articles than any publication in the USA covering all sides of the immigration debate (we have just as proudly carried a huge number of Democratio-authored articles). Since some of our readers have only been with us a few years, we remind them that among Republican luminaries who have written for Immigration Daily are Patrick Buchanan, Newt Gingrich, Arnold Schwarzenegger and Rupert Murdoch. We obtained our non-partisan

credential the old-fashioned way: we earned it.

As this election season progressed, we have not minoed words in our disdain for Mr. Trump this disdain stems from our abhorrence of Mr. Trump's immigration vision - we reject his racist immigration viewpoint as profoundly un-American. We believe many of our Democratic readers agree with our contempt for Mr. Trump. However, we are well aware that many of our readers, particularly those who are Republicans, believe Ms. Clinton to be a crooked lying witch, and see in Mr. Trump the only instrument by which she can be stopped from ascending to the Oval Office. We address all our readers - Republicans, Democrats, and Independents: Due to the unprecedented anti-immigration vision embraced by Mr. Trump, and due to the poisonous vehemence by which he promises to pursue his anti-American immigration ideas, even should you believe Ms. Clinton to be a crooked lying witch, she is preferable to Mr. Trump in this election. Immigration Daily proudly endorses Hillary Clinton for President of the United States.

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ComingsNGoings: Immigrations Event

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